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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The Oversea imports during May were valued at £1,982,259 and show a decrease of £450,356, or 18·5 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total for eleven months, July to May, 1917-18, was £26,656,469, a decrease of £4,096,071, or 13·3 per cent., in comparison with the corresponding period in 1916-17.

Imports at Sydney.—Excluding the value of the imports from State ports, the articles imported at the port of Sydney, in May were valued at £3,824,132. The following is a summary of the imports during the month :—

					Weight and Measurement.	Value.
					tons.	£
Imports Oversea	...	...	...	...	53,425	1,943,782
„ Interstate	...	...	...	...	58,401	1,880,350
„ From State ports	...	...	...	...	136,255	Not available.
Transhipments—						
Oversea...	...	...	...	...	24,511	„
Interstate	...	...	...	...	16,017	„
To State ports	...	...	...	...	4,133	„

A few special articles, denoted by number in the detailed table within, have been converted into weight or measurement, and are included in the above statement. During the eleven months ended May, 1918, the oversea imports were valued at £26,186,010 and the interstate imports at £14,949,387 the total of the two being £41,135,397.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for May show that the net revenue for the month was £2,141,404, or £345,878 more than in May of last year—an increase of 19·3 per cent. During the eleven months ended 31st May, the revenue was £17,872,405 being £790,900, or 4·6 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Principal increases during the eleven months were— £

From Commonwealth Returns	...	...	18,436
Public Lands	...	...	105,435
Taxation	...	...	79,901
Railways and Tramways	...	...	411,764
Sydney Harbour Trust	...	...	63,285
Water and Sewerage Rates	98,256

Principal decrease during the same period was—

From Pilotage	8,873
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The expenditure during May was £1,531,585 an increase of £48,706, or 3·3 per cent., as compared with May of last year. During the eleven months ended 31st May, the expenditure was £19,060,288 being £553,065, or 2·9 per cent. more than in 1916-17.

Principal increases during the eleven months were— £

Government Departments	...	...	255,289
Interest Repayments	...	...	304,855

Principal decrease during the same period was—

Business Undertakings	7,079
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On the 31st May, 1918, the Consolidated Revenue Account was in debit to the amount of £2,446,535.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during May, 1918, was 10,954 oz. crude, equal to 10,604 oz. fine, valued at £45,044, and showed an increase of 3,920 oz. fine, and £16,652 in value, compared with May of last year. The value of the gold produced during the five months was £158,150, and showed an increase of 3,135 oz. fine, and £13,313 in value, in the figures for the corresponding period of last year.

Cost of Living, Sydney.—From the information collected each month (see Table 54) as to the retail prices in Sydney of food and groceries, it appears that in May, 1918, prices were 36·2 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; 2·8 per cent. higher than in May, 1917; and 0·7 per cent. higher than in the preceding month, April, 1918.

Meat, which is included in the results quoted above, shows prices in May, 1918, 63·2 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; 0·4 per cent. dearer than in May, 1917; and 1·4 per cent. lower than in April, 1918. Meat prices were slightly lower than in April, and almost reached the level ruling prior to the strike.

The decline in meat was more than counterbalanced by advances in the price of potatoes, onions, cheese, coffee, eggs, and currants. Bacon and ham fell about a half-penny a pound.

The following is a statement of the price levels since July, 1914, the levels for which were taken as base, and called 100 :—

Month		Meat.	Other Food and Groceries.	Meat, other Food and Groceries combined.
July,	1914	100	100	100
May,	1915	128·6	106·1	111·9
"	1916	166·4	118·6	131·0
"	1917	162·4	122·0	132·4
December	"	174·8	122·3	135·9
January,	1918	180·4	122·2	137·2
February	"	179·9	122·9	137·6
March	"	170·5	124·2	136·2
April	"	165·5	124·6	135·2
May	"	163·2	126·8	136·2

Land Selections.—During May, 93 applications were made for 116,637 acres under the Crown Land Act; and 37,964 acres, representing 105 blocks, were gazetted for residential settlement, which includes areas set apart for returned soldiers. Since the beginning of the year the number of applications has been 376, and the area applied for 283,722 acres. The original area gazetted for residential settlement since the 1st January is 328,870 acres, representing 354 blocks.

Meteorology.—During May there was only one considerable rainstorm, which occurred in the first week of the month, and was particularly severe in the western and south-western districts, where the falls were much in excess of the general average. In other parts of the State the rain was light, scattered, and below normal. This was especially marked in the Northern and Coastal Divisions, where many stations received but a few points, and on the whole the precipitation was largely deficient. Heavy rain on the Murray River Catchment Area caused flooded conditions in some towns adjacent to the main river.

The prevalence of northerly winds at certain periods produced warm temperatures at various centres, but as these conditions passed eastward, cold wintry weather, accompanied by frosts and fogs, predominated.

At Sydney, the mean temperature, 61·2 deg., was the highest on record in the month of May for sixty years.

Vital Statistics—Sydney and Suburbs—May, 1918.—The births registered numbered 1,743, equal to 26·91 per 1,000 of population per annum; of the total, 899 were males and 844 females. The rate is satisfactory, as it is only 3 per cent. below the average of the previous five years.

The deaths numbered 601, namely, 319 males and 282 females, equal to a rate of 9·28 per 1,000 of population per annum. The mortality rate is satisfactory, being 13 per cent. above the average of the previous five years. The deaths were below the average in all age-groups except 65 years and over.

The infantile mortality was 44·2 per 1,000 births, and is the lowest on record for May, being 29 per cent. below the average for the month of May for the previous five years.

New Buildings—Metropolis.—According to returns supplied by the several Town Clerks, there were erected, in the Metropolitan area, during May, 482 new buildings, as compared with 455 in May, 1917.

The total for the five months, January to May, was 2,051, as compared with 2,198 during the corresponding period of 1917.

Statistical Bulletin—May, 1918.

No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1906	779,666	718,943	1,498,609	29,456	2'00	1,484,600
1907	795,635	736,345	1,531,980	33,371	2'23	1,517,900
1908	809,240	750,786	1,560,026	28,046	1'83	1,545,700
1909	829,329	767,356	1,596,685	36,659	2'35	1,577,200
1910	852,680	785,540	1,638,220	41,535	2'60	1,616,200
1911	889,391	809,345	1,698,736*	62,240*	3'80	1,664,500*
1912	935,979	842,983	1,778,962	80,226	4'72	1,738,600
1913	962,749	869,707	1,832,456	53,494	3'01	1,809,400
1914	967,033	894,995	1,862,028	29,572	1'61	1,853,400
1915	953,162	917,253	1,870,415	8,387	'45	1,868,200
1916	923,113	934,807	1,857,920	(-)12,495	(-) '67	1,866,300
1917—31st March	921,964	939,788	1,861,752	...	...	...
„ 30th June	921,566	945,890	1,867,456	...	...	...
„ 30th September	925,493	949,852	1,875,345	...	...	...

The population includes Aborigines of full-blood, viz., 2,012, of whom 1,152 are males and 860 females. (—) Denotes decrease.

* The population since 1st January, 1911, is exclusive of Federal Capital Area, the population of which at the Census on 2nd April was 1,724, of whom 997 were males and 727 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality. Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
				Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	
1905	39,501	14,978	10,970	27'15	10'30	7'54	80'55
1906	40,948	14,975	11,551	27'58	10'09	7'78	74'53
1907	42,195	16,410	12,189	27'80	10'81	8'03	88'64
1908	42,525	16,090	12,642	27'51	10'41	8'18	75'79
1909	43,769	15,840	13,048	27'75	10'04	8'27	74'28
1910	45,533	16,191	14,294	28'17	10'02	8'85	74'61
1911	47,677	17,179	15,267	28'64	10'32	9'17	69'49
1912	51,993	18,886	16,664	29'90	10'86	9'58	71'30
1913	52,134	19,732	16,311	28'81	10'91	9'01	78'34
1914	53,615	18,777	17,353	28'93	10'13	9'36	69'72
1915	52,885	19,610	18,129	28'31	10'50	9'70	68'13
1916	52,075	19,854	16,320	27'90	10'64	8'74	67'84
1917	52,467	17,969	13,261	...	...	...	57'56
Jan. to Mar., 1918	12,103	4,054	3,109	...	...	...	61'89
„ „ 1917	13,236	4,506	3,138	...	...	...	63'77

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females	
1906	50,257	29,208	75,352	38,518	193,335	47,797	27,624	75,658	38,773	189,852
1907	65,684	35,441	93,152	47,061	241,338	59,731	31,017	95,323	47,681	233,752
1908	66,156	35,433	94,885	48,685	245,159	60,474	33,047	99,282	50,745	243,548
1909	69,330	36,680	96,069	48,130	250,509	59,729	32,775	98,878	50,397	241,779
1910	72,421	39,104	108,870	54,821	275,216	62,093	34,421	109,941	56,568	263,023
1911	92,269	49,398	132,988	65,470	340,125	71,308	39,987	130,745	66,343	308,383
1912	106,187	57,601	147,629	73,980	385,397	81,722	43,288	141,032	72,236	338,278
1913	92,925	53,824	156,536	77,905	381,190	81,087	44,097	156,695	78,219	360,098
1914	91,413	51,730	167,833	89,183	400,159	98,626	47,311	172,769	86,719	405,425
1915	70,586	39,512	181,874	94,081	386,053	104,215	36,979	177,764	91,983	410,941
1916	58,913	36,198	197,954	105,076	398,141	112,469	36,652	189,561	104,175	442,857
Jan. to Sept., 1917	37,398	21,801	127,008	72,552	258,759	49,739	20,140	124,976	72,938	267,793
„ 1916	46,833	28,907	141,207	77,926	294,873	83,236	27,905	141,100	77,116	329,357
July to Sept., 1917	9,492	3,818	37,153	17,314	67,777	11,123	3,231	35,860	18,745	68,959
„ 1916	13,025	7,639	41,197	21,810	83,671	21,765	7,539	40,029	20,427	89,760

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	113,870	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,335
1907	140,213	58,734	8,464	21,588	12,339	241,338
1908	143,570	56,582	10,537	20,612	13,858	245,159
1909	144,199	55,285	15,057	23,040	12,928	250,509
1910	163,691	58,146	16,537	22,410	14,432	275,216
1911	198,458	71,262	24,217	27,008	19,180	340,125
1912	221,609	75,872	36,925	26,696	24,295	385,397
1913	234,441	71,490	30,318	23,284	21,657	381,190
1914	257,016	75,875	19,936	25,290	22,042	400,159
1915	275,955	65,736	7,299	18,037	19,026	386,053
1916	303,030	55,423	2,721	15,065	21,902	398,141
Jan. to Sept., 1917	199,560	32,972	361	8,906	16,960	258,759
„ 1916	219,133	44,271	2,345	12,212	16,912	294,873
July to Sept., 1917	54,467	5,780	10	1,717	5,803	67,777
„ 1916	63,007	11,082	670	3,210	5,702	83,671

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	114,431	45,060	4,789	15,994	9,578	189,852
1907	143,004	53,333	5,176	21,201	11,038	233,752
1908	150,027	51,590	7,467	22,141	12,323	243,548
1909	149,275	54,756	6,766	17,812	13,170	241,779
1910	166,509	56,722	7,834	17,247	14,711	263,023
1911	197,088	66,922	8,837	18,593	16,943	308,383
1912	213,268	71,179	11,647	19,691	22,493	338,278
1913	234,914	68,923	13,002	20,767	22,492	360,098
1914	259,488	71,875	15,426	23,213	35,423	405,425
1915	269,747	58,811	6,506	17,927	57,950	410,941
1916	293,736	51,624	3,522	15,902	78,073	442,857
Jan. to Sept., 1917	197,914	30,140	3,346	7,025	29,368	267,793
„ 1916	218,216	40,223	3,280	11,734	55,904	329,357
July to Sept., 1917	54,605	4,042	911	1,375	8,026	68,959
„ 1916	60,456	9,825	1,235	3,269	14,975	89,760

No. 6.—Population—Metropolis.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Sydney (including Shipping).	Suburbs.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1907	112,000	465,180	577,180	17,380	3'10	568,500
1908	112,900	479,200	592,100	14,920	2'58	584,700
1909	120,660	485,240	605,900	13,800	2'33	599,000
1910	119,800	502,430	622,230	16,330	2'70	614,100
1911	118,800	538,000	656,800	34,570	5'56	639,500
1912	116,400	578,400	694,800	38,000	5'79	675,800
1913	115,900	609,500	725,400	30,600	4'40	710,100
1914	110,700	641,800	752,500	27,100	3'74	741,200
1915	104,200	658,800	763,000	10,500	1'31	757,750
1916	106,000	658,600	764,600	1,600	0'21	763,800
1917	106,000	671,300	777,300	12,700	1'66	771,000

NOTE.—The population of Ku-ring-gai Shire (14,820 on 31st December, 1917) is included above as from 1st January, 1911.

No. 7.—Vital Statistics—Metropolis.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
		Total.	Under one year.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1907	14,334	6,238	1,380	5,474	25'21	10'97	9'63	96'3
1908	14,861	6,036	1,229	5,974	25'42	10'32	10'22	82'7
1909	15,461	6,149	1,261	6,367	25'81	10'27	10'62	81'6
1910	16,204	6,305	1,329	6,931	26'39	10'36	11'29	82'0
1911	17,829	6,973	1,268	7,640	27'88	10'90	11'95	71'1
1912	20,140	7,681	1,530	8,923	29'80	11'37	13'20	76'0
1913	20,535	7,938	1,608	8,892	28'92	11'18	12'52	78'3
1914	20,821	7,603	1,452	9,479	28'09	10'26	12'79	69'7
1915	20,871	8,189	1,512	10,122	27'54	10'81	13'58	72'4
1916	20,856	8,156	1,428	9,009	27'31	10'66	11'80	68'5
1917	20,278	7,518	1,212	7,009	26'30	9'75	9'09	59'8
Jan.-May, 1918	8,189	2,871	489	.....	25'28	8'86	.....	59'7
„ 1917	8,656	3,098	529	2,873	26'94	9'64	8'94	61'1
May, 1918	1,743	601	77	.....	26'91	9'28	.....	44'2
„ 1917	1,847	692	107	579	28'75	10'77	9'01	57'9

No. 8.—Health of the Metropolis—May, 1918.

In calculating the averages for previous five years, due allowance has been made for increase in population.

Particulars.				May, 1918.	Average of May, for previous five years.	Causes of Death.		May, 1918.	Average of May, for previous five years.
Births	...	...	...	1,743	1,792	Diseases of the Heart	...	80	75
Deaths	...	...	...	601	688	Cancer	...	75	63
						Pulmonary Diseases...	...	57	64
Illegitimate Births	...	...	...	128	132	Developmental Diseases of	...	48	54
Deaths under 1	...	...	...	77	111	Infants.	...		
„ 1-4	...	...	...	36	41	Phthisis	...	39	44
„ 5-64	...	...	...	283	338	Bright's Disease (Acute and	...	33	43
„ 65 and over	...	...	...	205	198	Chronic).	...		
Annual Rates per 1,000 of						Senility	...	26	33
Population—						Hæmorrhage of the Brain, &c.	...	25	33
Births	...	...	...	26'91	27'65	Accident	...	19	31
Deaths	...	...	...	9'28	10'62	Diarrhœa and Enteritis	...	18	45
Illegitimate Births	...	...	...	1'98	2'04	Epidemic Diseases	...	18	27
Deaths under 1 per 1,000 Births	...	...	...	44'2	62'1				

No. 9.—Principal Causes of Death—March Quarter—1918 and 1917.

Causes of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1918.			1917.	1918.			1917.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	8	5	13	11	27	16	43	49
Measles	3	3	6	3	3	3	6	12
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	1	1	2	...	2	2	6
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	1	1	20	9	12	21	83
Diphtheria and Croup	13	10	23	22	25	17	42	77
Influenza	1	1	2	5	5	4	9	18
Dysentery	2	2	4	...	6	6	12	3
Other Epidemic Diseases...	2	...	2	5	2	1	3	15
Purulent Infection, Septicæmia ...	2	...	2	3	6	2	8	18
Tetanus	2	...	2	3	9	...	9	9
Tuberculosis—Lungs	45	41	86	77	136	99	235	237
Other Organs	9	11	20	11	19	20	39	31
General ... ..	...	1	1	2	3	1	4	5
Syphilis	2	2	4	12	6	6	12	15
Cancer	95	107	202	211	195	193	388	393
Rheumatism	3	5	8	10	6	17	23	25
Diabetes	11	15	26	24	21	31	52	45
Exophthalmic Goitre ... ..	...	5	5	6	...	5	5	10
Anæmia, Chlorosis	8	14	22	10	15	24	39	29
Other General Diseases	10	10	20	20	32	15	47	47
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	5	6	11	21	36	24	60	79
Diseases of Spinal Cord	11	4	15	13	51	16	67	29
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	28	33	61	70	86	74	160	162
General Paralysis of Insane	11	...	11	8	15	...	15	12
Convulsions of Infants	3	2	5	7	16	10	26	25
Other Nervous Diseases	14	13	27	19	33	28	61	55
Acute Endocarditis	3	6	9	11	9	12	21	19
Organic Diseases of Heart	75	87	162	177	241	173	414	423
Other Diseases Circulatory System	39	25	64	62	67	52	119	137
Bronchitis	8	16	24	19	33	34	67	68
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia...	42	22	64	79	103	60	163	184
Other Diseases Respiratory System	8	9	17	34	26	19	45	65
Diseases of Stomach	7	8	15	13	19	27	46	39
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	75	50	125	155	159	114	273	320
" " (over 2)...	13	16	29	38	47	37	84	111
Appendicitis	8	5	13	17	21	17	38	39
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction ...	7	8	15	14	32	17	49	38
Cirrhosis of Liver... ..	7	7	14	22	16	11	27	31
Other Diseases Digestive System...	10	18	28	36	21	30	51	72
Nephritis	60	35	95	129	120	70	190	230
Other Diseases Urinary System ...	28	3	31	26	52	4	56	48
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	7	7	4	...	19	19	12
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	23	23	33	...	44	44	92
Diseases of Skin, &c.	4	5	9	5	11	12	23	21
Diseases of Bones, &c. ... ..	...	...	...	2	4	2	6	5
Congenital Malformations	16	16	32	15	30	24	54	38
Diseases of Early Infancy	74	65	139	134	198	153	351	355
Senility	19	32	51	82	100	95	195	262
Violence—								
Suicide	10	1	11	19	33	4	37	50
Accident	48	17	65	88	173	54	227	299
Homicide	2	1	3	4	4	1	5	8
Wounds in Battle... ..	1	...	1	...	2	...	2	...
Execution ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Not Classed (Open Verdict)	1	1	2	6	19	1	20	13
Ill-defined Causes	4	4	8	5	23	17	40	38
Total	857	779	1,636	1,824	2,325	1,729	4,054	4,506

Approximate Mean Annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—

Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
1913-1917	..	..	9.99	..	..	10.0	..
1918	..	..	8.43	..	..	..	..

No. 10.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978
1908	17,814,260	19,828,486	37,642,746	14,105,050	26,880,709	40,985,759
1909	17,146,943	20,888,019	38,034,962	15,792,608	26,044,789	41,837,397
1910	*12,623,428	23,238,993	†	*10,307,115	32,035,451	†
1911	†	27,343,428	†	†	32,161,401	†
1912	†	32,303,630	†	†	32,958,529	†
1913	†	32,350,663	†	†	32,839,789	†
(Jan. to June) 1914	†	16,677,336	†	†	15,738,313	†
1914-15	†	27,323,243	†	†	28,107,025	†
1915-16	†	33,379,698	†	†	40,975,416	†
1916-17	†	32,742,297	†	†	42,068,333	†

* Information, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Not available.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	(+) Increase. (-) Decrease in 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	2,897,361	3,284,693	2,814,485	2,871,984	2,310,222	(-) 561,762
August ...	2,660,299	2,919,146	3,532,624	3,254,124	1,300,343	(-) 1,953,781
September ...	3,080,492	2,088,007	2,486,149	3,054,850	1,982,610	(-) 1,072,240
October ...	2,638,289	2,202,579	3,245,746	3,416,811	2,936,604	(-) 480,207
November ...	2,427,923	2,248,877	2,245,324	3,116,342	3,173,277	(+) 56,935
December ...	3,220,290	2,145,654	2,342,661	2,815,803	2,546,297	(-) 269,506
January ...	2,497,902	2,360,881	2,525,756	3,412,759	3,344,645	(-) 68,114
February ...	2,510,873	2,070,512	2,728,772	2,221,050	2,920,621	(+) 699,571
March ...	3,637,388	2,309,687	2,814,847	2,581,198	1,867,795	(-) 713,403
April ...	2,458,513	2,041,257	2,675,501	1,575,004	2,291,796	(+) 716,792
May ...	3,023,485	1,640,828	2,897,353	2,432,615	1,982,259	(-) 450,356
Total (11 months)	31,052,815	25,312,121	30,309,218	30,752,540	26,656,469	(-) 4,096,071

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually.

Article.		1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottle...	gal.	849,380	£ 137,023	531,014	£ 94,928	256,332	£ 57,037
Bulk	"	98,159	8,642	13,390	1,299	175	17
Apparel and Attire ... ..	.....	.....	802,082	.....	888,053	.....	981,342
Socks and Stockings ... ..	.....	.....	342,932	.....	449,916	.....	425,160
Bags and Sacks—							
Bran, Chaff, &c. ... doz.	621,506	158,728	478,951	161,267	275,279	89,660	
Corn and Flour	1,175,870	376,468	1,227,292	426,049	1,698,512	587,832	
Woolpacks	1,223,680	164,577	1,090,333	155,040	968,111	141,716	
Other	72,814	16,067	52,875	12,018	58,626	15,057	
Bags, Purses, N.E.I. ... ..	.....	77,166	.....	101,806	.....	110,975	
Blankets, and Blanketing ... ..	.....	5,672	.....	55,598	.....	61,271	
Books (Printed) &c. ... ..	.....	229,322	.....	223,267	.....	205,298	
Boots and Shoes ... ..	.....	296,099	.....	170,350	.....	228,857	
Bullion—							
Gold—Bar, Ingots, &c. oz.	76,013	299,692	121,010	489,193	49,699	198,454	
Silver—Bar, Ingot, &c. oz.	9,002	991	495	53	3,539	496	
Canvas and Duck ... ..	.....	123,498	.....	231,798	.....	212,911	
Carpets and Carpeting ... ..	.....	140,706	.....	166,772	.....	168,422	
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	175,097	18,027	113,736	18,351	1,957	306	
Clocks and Watches ... ..	.....	102,690	.....	156,507	.....	130,452	
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	1,723,804	124,399	2,630,858	203,732	2,221,400	181,835	
Confectionery, N.E.I. lb.	2,820,069	154,855	1,616,894	77,190	1,015,290	51,577	
Copper—							
Pipes and Tubes (plain) cwt.	6,119	29,956	2,948	18,432	1,807	14,600	
Copra	cwt.	305,645	295,030	269,728	277,827	248,247	281,417
Cordage and Twines—							
Sewing Silks, &c. ... ..	.....	180,457	.....	199,561	.....	292,916	
Cosies, Cushions, &c. ... ..	.....	36,067	.....	28,474	.....	41,475	
Cutlery, N.E.I. ... ..	.....	119,763	.....	127,706	.....	135,987	
Drugs and Chemicals—							
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	14,533	93,771	28,846	207,460	8,672	51,206	
Other ... ..	.....	147,766	.....	161,603	.....	192,590	
Earthenware, &c. ... ..	.....	111,344	.....	111,620	.....	88,382	
Electrical Articles—							
Cable and Wire covered cwt.	29,666	137,979	42,882	190,946	27,974	192,222	
Fancy Goods ... ..	.....	150,694	.....	161,330	.....	153,190	
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	427,313	238,727	10,442,557	332,568	8,616,430	308,588	
Floor Cloths and Coverings ... ..	.....	190,167	.....	167,455	.....	206,154	
Fruits, Fresh—Apples cental	56,535	59,733	64,560	70,716	44,173	55,844	
Bananas	130,666	97,273	190,442	109,320	254,323	138,553	
Other ... ..	.....	18,695	.....	28,222	11,490	17,731	
Furniture ... ..	.....	70,441	.....	44,724	.....	25,936	
Gloves ... ..	.....	78,600	.....	71,711	.....	97,747	
Grain—Maize ... ..centals	357,546	133,203	1,154,634	449,949	19,547	6,951	
Oats	256,038	137,584	518,755	276,428	201	110	
Rice	211,818	87,035	545,111	239,974	232,232	129,282	
Hats and Caps ... ..	.....	197,164	.....	224,625	.....	151,111	
Hessians ... ..	.....	172,885	.....	153,930	.....	172,198	
Instruments—							
Kinematographs, &c. ... ..	.....	161,663	.....	178,507	.....	261,279	
Pianos	No. 3,862	111,603	4,806	141,641	4,465	130,827	
Parts ... ..	.....	18,070	.....	19,546	.....	31,628	
Iron and Steel—							
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee cwt.	617,364	273,818	580,650	331,143	474,982	422,261	
Girders, Beams	238,426	80,865	140,792	76,037	75,348	58,165	
Pig	157,004	27,253	147,620	34,497	64,379	20,435	
Plate and Sheet—							
Galvanised	553,694	482,836	476,222	692,787	207,625	339,427	
Not galvanised	281,034	113,618	289,949	161,305	170,064	131,743	
Jewellery ... ..	.....	106,114	.....	88,892	.....	86,186	
Precious stones, unset ... ..	.....	157,883	.....	154,521	.....	164,590	
Leather ... ..	.....	152,803	.....	117,915	.....	213,840	
Machines and Machinery—							
Agricultural ... ..	.....	208,664	.....	185,353	.....	229,760	
Electrical ... ..	.....	386,487	.....	403,855	.....	410,570	
Engines ... ..	.....	386,924	.....	164,700	.....	116,504	
Mining ... ..	.....	29,652	.....	25,138	.....	23,234	
Motive Power ... ..	.....	117,173	.....	84,558	.....	96,914	

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually—continued.

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Machines and Machinery—		£		£		£
Sewing ... ..	.....	72,423	.....	103,565	.....	109,004
Other ... ..	.....	359,037	.....	326,991	.....	883,010
Matches ... ..	.....	46,926	.....	109,423	.....	40,745
Medicines ... ..	.....	192,546	.....	208,818	.....	251,954
Metals, Manufactures—						
Pipes and Tubes ... ..	.....	291,524	.....	379,474	.....	299,080
Wire ... ..	.....	244,950	.....	256,697	.....	173,831
Wire Netting ... ..	.....	55,085	.....	15,547	.....	2,896
Miscellaneous ... ..	.....	1,103,974	.....	941,456	.....	979,111
Oils in Bulk—						
Benzine ... gal.	2,938,909	151,304	5,132,998	274,284	5,168,196	388,026
Benzoline, &c. ... "	1,462,435	79,509	1,660,396	90,566	1,516,901	110,694
Kerosene ... "	6,758,234	176,265	8,112,145	196,680	6,050,952	166,569
Lubricating Mineral ... "	1,724,118	89,560	2,785,117	150,481	2,613,720	158,955
Paints & Colours prep'd or use cwt.	20,372	46,576	22,075	55,268	15,460	42,876
Paper—Printing ... ..	.....	370,893	.....	427,668	.....	728,682
Writing ... ..	.....	90,564	.....	129,896	.....	207,358
Piece Goods—						
Cotton, Linen ... ..	.....	1,631,126	.....	2,047,194	.....	2,534,328
Flannels ... ..	.....	7,031	.....	64,903	.....	67,704
Horsehair Cloth ... ..	.....	16,254	.....	13,707	.....	17,539
Rubbered Waterproof ... ..	.....	16,937	.....	15,381	.....	12,794
Silk ... ..	.....	648,807	.....	706,967	.....	704,941
Velvets, Velveteens ... ..	.....	254,973	.....	275,309	.....	313,289
Woollens ... ..	.....	808,476	.....	1,138,104	.....	1,296,101
N.E.I. ... ..	.....	60,437	.....	91,230	.....	195,858
Other ... ..	.....	66,801	.....	83,992	.....	103,257
Rails, Fish Plates, &c. ... ..	.....	459,205	.....	80,327	.....	11,123
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	.....	205,035	.....	536,752	.....	493,006
Specie—Bronze ... ..	.....	2	.....	Nil.	.....	207
Gold ... ..	.....	3,439	.....	2,375	.....	.....
Silver ... ..	.....	123,069	.....	4,784	.....	26,910
Spirits—Brandy, bottled gal.	52,920	48,000	10,326	10,056	25,725	26,151
" bulk ... "	99,086	31,293	67,083	26,090	138,826	78,624
Gin—British ... "	61,985	17,394	55,504	16,551	59,448	23,379
Hollands, Geneva ... "	79,360	14,012	65,611	11,872	30,188½	9,454
Schnapps ... "	64,383	22,954	99,698	36,024	68,673	26,649
Rum—Bottled ... "	4,053	2,356	2,932	1,790	1,241	1,299
" Bulk ... "	127,678	23,003	72,650	15,777	27,982	10,097
Whisky—Bottled ... "	72,236	40,255	66,893	41,853	25,176	21,062
" Bulk ... "	997,305	343,606	770,126	330,225	916,877	613,021
Stationery ... ..	.....	142,381	.....	139,995	.....	180,883
Sugar—Cane cwt.	178,839	121,569	1,131,644	1,005,018	1,031,892	975,286
Tea lb.	18,692,523	709,289	20,419,659	913,285	19,373,545	859,117
Timber—						
Dressed N.E.I. ... sup. ft.	13,420,353	121,731	3,195,255	34,067	770,865	13,605
Logs not sawn ... "	8,866,378	37,982	5,071,861	20,453	598,289	4,789
N.Z. White Pine ... "	42,369,240	257,187	36,764,874	228,424	42,044,303	276,912
Undressed N.E.I. ... "	105,084,796	663,197	77,193,799	561,546	73,527,824	600,641
Tobacco—						
Manufactured N.E.I. lb.	1,482,692	124,174	1,069,800	86,533	1,330,271	99,676
Unmanufactured ... "	5,953,076	308,842	8,725,123	501,435	7,808,105	454,119
Cigars	132,912	57,398	89,258	43,930	82,128½	49,028
Cigarettes	61,641	23,914	74,332	25,954	81,268½	30,523
Tools of Trade, not being machines	.....	206,680	.....	225,235	.....	241,304
Trimmings and Ornaments ... ..	.....	193,460	.....	186,164	.....	167,372
Vehicles—						
Bicycles, &c., and parts ... ..	.....	91,289	.....	124,637	.....	126,466
Motor Car Bodies ... ..	.....	67,095	.....	122,126	.....	111,104
Chassis ... ..	.....	346,917	.....	545,242	.....	425,430
Other Vehicles and parts ... ..	.....	154,221	.....	179,874	.....	206,182
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	10,945	23,036	13,318	28,570	9,753	20,807
Still, bottle ... "	18,998	13,582	19,609	12,806	19,397	14,705
Still, bulk ... "	15,843	5,037	13,491	4,152	7,614	2,580
Yarns ... ..	.....	60,178	.....	187,745	.....	326,265
All other Articles ... ..	.....	6,199,087	.....	8,391,267	.....	7,073,235
Total ... ..	.....	27,323,243	.....	33,379,698	.....	32,742,297

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea Annually.

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottled ... gal.	114,327	£ 18,789	108,520	£ 18,873	143,357	24,729
Bulk	3,862	386	728	47	111,105	10,110
Ammonia, Sulphate ... cwt.	59,012	38,071	80,853	65,218	68,808	73,203
Animals Living—						
Cattle, ordinary ... No.	313	1,837	103	538	128	2,759
Horses, ordinary	218	9,624	Nil.	Nil.	3,310	75,944
Sheep, ordinary	4,703	5,799	852	1,373	1,441	3,000
Sheep, breeding	808	9,869	230	2,890	277	5,477
Apparel and Attire ... ..	...	74,642	...	127,605	...	101,498
Biscuits lbs.	3,068,299	41,199	2,696,122	41,449	3,227,998	49,504
Boats, Launches ... ..	...	7,800	...	5,004	...	4,357
Bones cwt.	11,473	7,643	6,963	4,772	9,881	8,416
Books—printed ... ..	...	38,913	...	35,785	...	35,306
Boots, Shoes—Leather ... ..	...	15,028	...	19,912	...	37,253
Bullion—						
Gold—Bar, Ingot, etc. ozs.	45,768	56,977	10,315	35,939	374	1,479
In Matte	38,466	154,110	41,260	161,594	32,024	126,607
Silver—Bar, Ingot, etc. ..	816,071	84,820	644,094	73,496	358,992	54,410
In Matte	2,311,945	231,354	2,827,201	309,645	2,178,451	313,990
Butter lbs.	23,336,327	1,166,919	4,128,433	254,793	24,493,305	1,707,616
Cheese	347,437	10,157	76,616	4,788	1,847,267	72,483
Coal tons	1,370,989	719,809	927,225	506,361	646,547	415,549
Coke	14,247	15,011	25,219	29,107	34,709	52,238
Concentrates—						
Silver, Silver Lead ... cwt.	106,783	57,849	Nil.	Nil.	...	...
Tin	1,310	4,608	3,672	12,802	...	...
Zinc	382,224	74,323	60,785	91,260	100,469	33,017
Other	4,208	8,433	2,427	13,949	656	8,456
Confectionery lbs.	151,261	7,544	137,782	7,908	281,897	15,788
Copper—Ingots cwt.	464,688	1,546,601	601,138	2,932,340	676,181	4,072,056
In Matte	31,230	107,783	41,366	197,441	14,494	65,364
Drugs, Chemicals, n.e.i....	...	16,943	...	21,647	...	32,689
Fruits, Dried—						
Currants lbs.	266,397	3,833	182,207	3,730	2,520,065	60,908
Raisins	207,662	3,357	317,183	9,163	485,551	14,384
Fruits, Fresh—						
Apples centals	7,901	7,023	5,677	5,309	7,414	7,245
Citrus	11,418	9,468	19,683	13,997	24,293	23,489
Furniture ... ..	...	7,013	...	8,732	...	10,757
Glue Pieces, Sinews ... cwt.	14,435	6,321	13,276	6,135	17,636	12,987
Glycerine, unrefined ... lbs.	201,992	4,727	218,675	5,803	423,427	12,976
Grain—						
Maize cntl.	6,133	2,530	2,084	928	25,223	10,849
Oats	5,122	3,580	85,325	33,669	36,694	14,988
Wheat	1,606,284	535,856	5,556,733	2,766,759	10,960,345	4,612,327
Bran, Pollard, Sharps... ..	115,703	45,729	63,089	26,255	123,020	40,745
Flour (Wheaten)	412,830	211,488	968,761	594,124	1,931,994	1,189,396
Hair—Other lbs.	196,887	12,842	336,765	12,666	324,441	13,560
Hats, Caps, Bonnets ... ..	...	5,348	...	9,397	...	12,762
Hay and Chaff cwt.	7,238	2,479	3,840	1,433	2,859	774
Hoofs	561	218	4,518	1,254	3,026	2,212
Horns ... ..	...	1,736	...	3,455	...	2,826
Jams and Jellies... .. lbs.	1,411,998	24,722	5,600,818	101,722	13,000,812	280,951
Jewellery ... ..	...	5,487	...	7,730	...	4,494
Precious Stones, unset ...	...	6,549	...	14,359	...	7,141
Lard lbs.	95,142	3,023	73,485	3,139	561,659	17,735
Lead—In Matte cwt.	683,919	552,594	689,303	767,627	529,580	614,072
Pig	1,067,753	1,056,867	971,709	1,356,714	1,604,677	2,385,395
Sheet and Piping	11,657	14,616	9,710	15,368	12,714	22,006
Leather ... ..	...	594,491	...	564,114	...	623,220
Leather Manufactures, n.e.i.	...	17,443	...	13,355	...	12,554
Manures—Bonedust ... cwt.	128,000	40,858	71,795	22,563	35,507	12,295
Superphosphates	52,995	15,779	228,577	45,714	171,557	37,719

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea, Annually—*continued.*

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Meats—Bacon and Hams lbs.	178,872	£ 8,564	85,776	£ 4,680	234,076	£ 9,954
Preserved by C.P.—						
Beef lbs.	23,626,403	444,561	784,000	18,509	10,453,222	227,147
Mutton car.	{ 1,639,355 }	{ 1,253,127 }	{ 317,102 }	{ 268,764 }	{ 430,780 }	{ 494,300 }
Lamb car.	{ 76,965,279 }	{ 389,839 }	{ 14,124,161 }	{ 358,419 }	{ 22,088,432 }	{ 207,111 }
Rabbits and Hares... prs.	{ 565,909 }	{ 393,179 }	{ 12,318,924 }	{ 607,711 }	{ 210,022 }	{ 760,331 }
Potted, Concentrated... ..	{ 19,478,243 }	{ 187,628 }	{ 9,487,687 }	{ 45,465 }	{ 7,939,660 }	{ 62,744 }
Preserved in tins, &c... lb.	7,546,446	925,334	4,123,668	161,422	10,718,922	386,097
Medicines... ..	25,012,609	48,147	...	63,694	8,365,107	58,348
Metals—Antimony and Compounds ... ..	...	889	...	43,873	...	18,489
Metal Manufactures ... ..	...	110,577	...	196,680	...	175,957
Oils—Cocoanut cwt.	84,619	174,964	82,165	163,900	29,305	79,852
Onions "	43,055	21,778	37,439	15,448	63,035	25,654
Ores—Copper "	58,527	35,176	69,872	45,192	...	...
Gold Ore, &c. "	7,067	14,329	2,385	5,394	...	...
Molybdenite "	1,619	40,961	2,569	58,891	3,525	80,680
Silver and Silver-Lead ... "	24,738	20,961	Nil.	Nil.	...	...
Tin "	22,261	104,320	27,167	151,382	24,665	147,165
Wolfram "	8,053	40,173	17,642	158,850	19,651	181,048
Other "	36,625	19,223	40,735	46,595	24,618	37,466
Potatoes "	32,972	11,683	22,962	12,449	52,583	21,762
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	...	22,526	...	24,739	...	65,314
Sausage Casings ... ..	...	25,058	...	31,706	...	62,393
Seeds ... ..	...	14,594	...	13,807	...	26,497
Skins and Hides—						
Hides (Cattle) No.	596,796	810,157	256,103	328,178	60,436	110,044
Hides (Horse) "	1,608	1,187	706	706	175	166
Rabbit and Hare lb.	4,259,797	155,411	4,352,640	210,935	4,721,480	392,453
Sheep with Wool No.	2,783,026	495,237	2,174,774	386,119	700,620	208,075
Sheep without Wool... .. "	588,056	25,372	1,272,438	61,936	1,509,432	109,817
Other ... ..	...	113,957	...	272,622	...	288,771
Soap—Toilet, Fancy ... lb.	110,349	6,518	122,106	8,195	152,354	9,964
Other "	2,774,627	43,049	2,917,258	53,001	2,624,394	51,844
Specie—Bronze ... ..	...	715	...	295	...	16
Gold ... ..	...	1,025,011	...	9,043,631	...	2,755,593
Silver ... ..	...	51,768	...	32,385	...	33,797
Stationery ... ..	...	11,205	...	16,141	...	17,502
Sugar—Cane cwt.	366,236	317,327	21,163	21,522	21,708	24,203
Tallow, unrefined	549,951	790,015	128,570	227,881	225,522	498,124
Timber—Dressed s. ft.	663,507	7,993	382,522	5,192	252,901	3,421
Undressed	18,891,889	195,368	15,878,754	156,355	11,776,202	134,654
Logs, not sawn	321,119	2,920	217,283	1,680	99,509	877
Tin Ingots... .. cwt.	12,612	93,163	38,946	324,929	47,368	448,158
Tobacco—Manufactured lb.	781,925	62,368	986,625	82,784	993,866	82,058
Cigarettes	20,020	6,990	119,956	25,960	60,992	18,724
Wines—Sparkling gal.	1,801	3,391	2,930	5,816	2,489	4,791
Still, bottle "	18,930	10,658	26,407	14,981	29,179	16,997
Still, bulk "	66,212	12,744	5,277	19,404	119,559	23,729
Wood, Articles—Casks, Shooks	...	4,095	...	5,156	...	5,016
Other ... ..	...	9,107	...	7,678	...	9,991
Wool—Greasy ... { bale { 591,834 }	{ 203,460,397 }	{ 7,800,718 }	{ 652,069 }	{ 10,158,459 }	{ 480,416 }	{ 10,408,056 }
Scoured and Washed { lb. { 131,817 }	{ 30,818,047 }	{ 1,954,957 }	{ 178,660 }	{ 3,052,187 }	{ 98,450 }	{ 2,191,868 }
Tops lb.	4,095,966	511,021	4,981,975	680,656	4,869,452	1,204,570
All other Articles ... ..	...	1,548,194	...	1,965,541	...	2,422,770
Total ... ..	...	28,107,025	...	40,975,416	...	42,068,333

No. 14.—Imports Oversea during May, and during the eleven months,
July to May.

Article.	May.				July to May.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale, Beer—Bottle ... gal.	1,438	£ 398	9,240	£ 2,615	40,057	£ 12,210	248,810	£ 58,099
Bulk ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apparel and Attire...	...	17,643	...	86,961	...	682,584	...	991,352
Socks and Stockings ...	...	8,280	...	28,744	...	294,514	...	418,523
Bags and Sacks—Bran, Chaff, &c. doz.	1,250	330	2,000	532	294,568	109,756	234,179	75,870
Corn and Flour ...	43,300	21,199	28,900	8,969	1,130,775	437,033	1,960,162	575,660
Woolpacks ... No.	262,150	57,128	46,250	6,402	871,400	155,951	645,117	98,190
Other ... doz.	873	351	336	74	25,023	6,501	42,505	9,049
Bags, Purses, n.e.i....	...	3,714	...	6,596	...	62,137	...	104,221
Blankets and Blanketing ...	...	79	...	3,752	...	5,920	...	59,748
Books (printed), &c. ...	...	3,654	...	15,908	...	207,928	...	196,040
Boots and Shoes ...	...	2,132	...	16,874	...	122,057	...	215,179
Bullion—Gold—Bar, ingot, &c. oz.	61,471	259,737	179	1,053	199,794	819,798	36,890	146,111
Silver " " "	6,628	1,461	87	13	424,116	83,253	3,446	485
Canvas and Duck ...	...	3,643	...	9,407	...	141,157	...	186,260
Carpets and Carpeting ...	...	3,142	...	10,109	...	155,491	...	160,257
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	...	...	1,937	308	...	...	1,982	327
Clocks and Watches ...	...	1,775	...	7,614	...	81,437	...	124,355
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	251,367	9,396	201,575	8,719	1,658,460	68,878	2,756,456	194,799
Confectionery, n.e.i. ...	6,127	876	33,199	1,690	176,919	11,003	1,126,909	62,514
Copper, Pipes and Tubes ... cwt.	28	421	223	1,836	581	7,561	2,048	13,754
Copra ...	83,228	108,926	14,003	18,509	485,465	610,267	212,774	237,532
Cordage & Twines—Sewing Silks, &c. ...	...	15,372	...	23,894	...	295,492	...	280,525
Counterpanes, Table Covers,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cosies, Cushions, &c. ...	...	3,297	...	17,821	...	147,729	...	201,159
Cutlery, n.e.i. ...	...	1,340	...	11,867	...	123,420	...	124,903
Drugs and Chemicals—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	1,231	18,005	160	1,532	12,892	163,946	7,082	46,455
Earthenware, &c. ...	...	406	...	4,053	...	65,946	...	83,468
Electrical Articles—Cable	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
and Wire, covered ... cwt.	843	9,834	12,094	8,693	9,941	96,434	38,037	188,258
Fancy Goods ...	...	5,935	...	7,043	...	135,837	...	139,145
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	2,118,344	91,671	538,532	15,280	8,674,262	428,206	8,782,114	302,033
Floor Cloths and Coverings ...	...	2,553	...	13,745	...	167,279	...	186,420
Fruits, fresh—Apples ... cntl.	...	...	...	...	17,230	20,606	24,173	46,103
Bananas ...	12,250	8,865	22,619	12,795	120,376	75,895	240,706	132,114
Other ...	207	64	185	368	1,883	1,747	10,465	19,551
Furniture ...	...	791	...	1,598	...	14,962	...	26,628
Gloves ...	...	4,778	...	6,772	...	104,987	...	87,923
Grain—Maize ... cntl.	708	284	131	38	982	481	19,550	6,964
Oats ...	...	...	...	...	203	143	194	117
Rice ...	39,798	26,274	127,066	67,649	403,083	231,495	162,625	93,221
Hats and Caps ...	...	3,655	...	7,053	...	110,968	...	135,945
Hessians ...	...	3,233	...	1,145	...	181,999	...	144,764
Instruments—Kinematographs, &c. ...	...	784	...	2,993	...	4,686	...	183,607
Pianos ... No.	455	11,288	447	13,067	4,986	145,208	4,161	116,786
Parts ...	...	2,602	...	2,551	...	38,897	...	26,966
Iron and Steel—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee ... cwt.	1,717	2,411	22,942	25,098	83,547	119,042	452,578	394,036
Girders, Beams, &c. ...	2,221	2,655	2,784	2,382	15,592	17,906	74,298	56,901
Pig ...	...	...	...	...	18,415	11,744	57,254	14,891
Plate and Sheet—Galvanised	8,629	22,610	4,690	7,386	84,928	189,273	207,542	328,956
Not galvanised ...	2,205	3,246	3,931	4,131	35,718	48,857	160,443	125,597
Jewellery ...	...	3,868	...	7,679	...	61,975	...	76,655
Precious Stones, unset ...	...	7,645	...	26,715	...	173,652	...	144,169
Leather ...	...	10,086	...	18,353	...	85,880	...	201,216
Machines and Machinery—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Agricultural ...	...	18,849	...	8,524	...	197,892	...	204,304
Electrical ...	...	23,927	...	36,022	...	249,840	...	392,355
Engines ...	...	6,485	...	4,825	...	64,163	...	106,723
Mining ...	...	424	...	387	...	23,415	...	21,345
Motive Power ...	...	1,948	...	7,539	...	87,383	...	93,600
Sewing ...	...	2,480	...	10,300	...	101,134	...	100,440
Other ...	...	39,684	...	50,061	...	622,247	...	823,483

No. 14.—Imports Oversea during May, and during the eleven months,
July to May—*continued.*

Article.	May.				July to May.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Matches ... gross boxes	35,550	£ 5,988	150	£ 144	515,620	£ 72,110	255,037	£ 37,791
Medicines ...	...	6,591	...	19,421	...	181,967	...	224,386
Metals, Manufactures—								
Pipes and Tubes ...	...	24,150	...	6,419	...	189,045	...	288,807
Wire ...	...	13,244	...	10,811	...	242,810	...	166,409
Wire Netting ...	...	...	...	6	...	4	...	1,948
Miscellaneous ...	...	32,057	...	92,845	...	372,268	...	915,207
Oils in Bulk—Benzine ... gal.	1,106,298	82,139	59,228	4,192	5,081,126	387,615	497,766	346,591
Benzoline, &c. ...	170,144	12,475	288,431	23,555	1,465,475	116,894	1,449,402	105,311
Kerosene ...	927,563	25,947	838,762	27,633	4,615,059	143,844	5,321,099	143,657
Lubricating (Mineral) ...	432,621	33,500	244,200	17,320	2,209,074	190,127	2,400,817	141,783
Paints and Colours (prepared) ... cwt.	211	761	3,134	8,222	10,643	26,899	51,698	121,020
Paper—Printing ...	...	68,787	...	105,753	...	385,416	...	680,216
Writing ...	...	5,423	...	17,038	...	125,965	...	201,207
Piece Goods—Cotton, Linen	...	40,587	...	164,607	...	2,330,957	...	2,428,960
Flannels ...	...	119	...	2,157	...	7,002	...	73,618
Horsehair Cloth ...	...	...	...	3,409	...	14,029	...	15,971
Rubbered Waterproof ...	...	1,057	...	386	...	21,717	...	12,553
Silk ...	...	44,491	...	53,034	...	913,221	...	626,188
Velvets, Velveteens ...	...	8,632	...	80,878	...	352,648	...	355,878
Woollens ...	...	5,331	...	62,883	...	771,828	...	1,237,727
N.E.I. ...	...	1,777	...	25,170	...	102,366	...	193,272
Other ...	...	3,885	...	8,707	...	116,064	...	104,618
Rails, Fishplates, &c. ...	...	429	...	518	...	671	...	11,124
Rubber Manufactures ...	...	40,613	...	32,846	...	390,342	...	447,043
Specie—Bronze ...	...	...	...	...	...	60	...	206
Gold ...	...	...	...	...	...	250,000	...	...
Silver ...	...	...	...	6,000	...	46,422	...	26,310
Spirits—Brandy, Bottled ... gal.	...	...	101	176	6,608	8,383	25,116	25,805
Brandy, Bulk ...	656	360	21,599	10,340	22,671	18,374	130,551	72,954
Gin—British ...	500	373	2,983	1,397	16,407	11,185	53,214	20,737
Hollands, Geneva ...	2,504	1,110	4,916	1,662	5,230	2,521	30,300	9,529
Schnapps ...	...	...	...	...	15,586	6,915	59,671	24,938
Rum, Bottled ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,251	1,302
Rum, Bulk ...	...	...	...	...	25,977	10,910	25,223	9,549
Whisky, Bottled ...	2,598	1,759	2	1	17,659	14,314	26,490	21,869
Whisky, Bulk ...	8,049	9,847	2,543	1,702	518,490	430,925	862,640	562,376
Stationery ...	...	3,728	...	10,890	...	115,298	...	167,776
Sugar—Cane ... cwt.	...	...	16,660	15,420	267,044	195,749	1,023,327	943,405
Tea ... lb.	1,439,003	82,897	2,280,258	95,414	18,411,543	790,252	18,100,224	793,586
Timber—Dressed, n.e.i. sup. ft.	25,732	68	21,162	202	101,486	1,517	732,539	11,655
Logs, not sawn ...	300	6	88,517	640	226,920	1,279	560,018	4,191
N.Z. White Pine ...	1,793,167	15,803	2,055,660	13,756	28,657,744	221,922	38,626,814	253,834
Undressed, n.e.i. ...	1,759,635	19,801	4,486,288	54,556	70,437,344	495,372	71,291,374	575,867
Tobacco—Manufactured, n.e.i. lb.	84,968	5,662	133,397	10,939	376,302	25,540	1,135,484	85,309
Unmanufactured ...	288,831	34,874	1,573,058	102,431	2,248,735	178,999	7,771,320	472,834
Cigars ...	4,842	2,304	5,295	3,611	71,554	40,574	73,705	43,708
Cigarettes ...	3,731	2,088	2,187	1,254	47,463	19,618	72,047	27,075
Tools of Trade ...	...	7,515	...	6,860	...	172,256	...	223,895
Trimmings and Ornaments	...	2,541	...	12,537	...	156,852	...	153,283
Vehicles, Bicycles, &c., and parts	...	10,969	...	15,582	...	104,706	...	112,493
Motor Car Bodies ...	...	10,805	...	19,271	...	103,777	...	100,504
Motor Car Chassis ...	...	45,145	...	49,630	...	389,690	...	386,377
Other Vehicles and parts	...	9,443	...	15,806	...	158,070	...	199,718
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	130	285	764	1,898	4,834	11,393	9,292	19,846
Still, bottled ...	3,591	1,931	621	327	14,852	11,727	17,204	12,799
Still, bulk ...	222	244	784	301	3,405	1,789	7,144	2,387
Yarns ...	...	14,279	...	21,615	...	169,867	...	307,921
All other Articles ...	...	378,805	...	524,339	...	6,348,202	...	6,611,166
Total ... £	...	1,982,259	...	2,432,615	...	26,656,469	...	30,752,540

No. 15.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1890.	1900.	1905.	1910.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Imports.							
Australian States	£ 10,049,648	£ 10,164,080	£ 14,938,885	£ 12,623,428*	£ †	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	8,628,007	9,923,117	8,602,288	14,385,633	15,367,746	15,608,510	15,722,209
Canada...	18,784	114,321	73,443	350,593	944,518	981,845	887,378
Fiji ...	99,853	60,831	43,232	161,894	247,650	594,632	1,038,521
Hong Kong ...	271,730	67,928	89,351	95,450	151,710	200,879	198,899
India and Ceylon	239,070	601,741	717,948	1,135,359	1,031,131	2,021,610	2,023,349
New Zealand ...	932,073	1,348,605	1,369,001	1,180,011	1,151,271	1,702,753	1,452,899
South Africa ...	55	1,013	5,256	20,312	25,550	401,026	89,377
Straits Settlements	27,148	40,391	82,830	132,245	231,731	305,992	372,184
Other British ...	6,685	118,929	67,165	158,494	188,324	225,901	222,945
Belgium ...	130,819	147,661	222,994	555,298	263,510	1,629	7,955
China ...	241,840	190,456	28,631	38,720	53,918	116,838	57,453
France ...	117,871	270,084	138,028	166,986	99,841	130,721	64,996
Germany ...	639,475	1,105,664	864,289	1,288,574	497,372	19,549	20,038
Italy ...	23,961	92,732	73,757	129,246	200,666	333,774	179,434
Japan ...	22,040	122,041	145,257	335,320	660,389	1,274,348	1,451,040
New Caledonia	83,920	28,509	18,399	39,242	37,411	43,569	34,759
Philippine Islands	4,414	49,240	27,854	37,492	41,841	73,638	31,507
South Sea Islands	40,214	107,488	103,142	164,530	§	§	§
United States ...	859,102	2,557,961	1,636,069	2,150,953	4,320,904	7,374,260	7,367,597
Other Foreign...	178,295	448,279	176,189	706,641	1,207,760	1,968,224	1,519,757
Total, Oversea	12,565,356	17,396,991	14,485,123	23,238,993	27,323,243	33,379,698	32,742,297
Total, Imports	22,615,004	27,561,071	29,424,008	.....	.....	.....	.....
Exports.							
Australian States	10,990,593	9,979,190	12,263,472	10,307,115†	†	†	†
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	6,623,431	8,273,272	10,222,422	13,318,099	16,258,252	15,320,054	23,906,117
Canada ...	10	66,403	41,520	76,866	362,016	650,264	250,388
Fiji ...	98,951	183,579	245,152	410,926	379,326	289,836	377,846
Hong Kong ...	255,050	218,986	424,460	414,042	383,601	252,759	114,490
India and Ceylon	257,360	174,296	1,330,189	187,128	355,307	573,335	955,049
New Zealand	294,138	826,662	934,661	1,319,358	1,767,086	2,421,292	1,967,562
South Africa ...	1,014	755,487	371,727	289,812	753,499	128,016	154,510
Straits Settlements	34,347	39,898	95,995	246,513	211,588	263,623	351,474
Other British ...	27,469	49,586	89,969	136,742	368,113	497,660	1,907,054
Belgium ...	1,011,846	620,349	1,787,163	2,970,187	203,527	420	.....
China ...	1,037	68,004	318,159	64,192	50,546	67,220	64,990
France ...	233,924	1,024,300	3,570,246	4,232,137	610,879	1,498,631	1,407,457
Germany ...	404,280	844,504	2,771,396	4,934,474	150,619	.....	.....
Italy ...	24,498	61,132	176,770	234,419	570,572	1,934,012	1,276,780
Japan ...	7,156	133,989	377,451	524,598	1,573,184	2,354,584	2,663,270
New Caledonia	193,396	179,761	135,446	115,458	158,794	179,377	251,495
Philippine Islands	16,410	88,043	183,853	226,134	129,591	52,508	124,663
South Sea Islands	45,290	126,834	141,381	214,651	§	§	§
United States ...	1,300,375	3,981,242	602,145	865,326	2,721,910	13,132,683	3,776,345
Other Foreign...	225,362	468,999	698,429	1,254,389	1,098,615	1,359,142	2,518,843
Total, Oversea	11,055,344	18,185,326	24,518,534	32,035,451	28,107,025	40,975,416	42,068,333
Total, Exports	22,045,937	28,164,516	36,782,006	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Imports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. † Exports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. ‡ Not available.

§ Included in "Other Foreign."

No. 16.—Principal Articles Imported at Sydney during May, 1918.

(Compiled from returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Article.		Oversea.*		Interstate.			State.	
		Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Value.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.
Agricultural Implements	tons	127	I	53	89	5,882	I	7
Ale, Beer, and Stout	...	.....	.....	.....	150	2,418	.....	33
Animals—Horses	No.	I	.....	17	...	1,090	88	...
Horned Cattle	"	23	.....	40	...	665	219	...
Calves	...	.....	.....	5	...	20	312	...
Pigs	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,404	...
Bacon and Hams	tons	.....	.....	.....	545	40,317	.....	511
Bananas	behs.	31,324	.....	332	...	59	146	...
"	cases	4,250	.....	4,855	...	2,468	14,559	...
Boots, Shoes, &c.	tons	.....	19	.....	497	65,280	.....	3
Bullion—Gold and Silver	cwt.	I	.....	24	...	11,230	.....	...
Butter	tons	.....	.....	.....	86	9,572	.....	2,181
Candles, tapers, night-lights	...	.....	20	.....	69	2,927	.....	141
Cement	tons	I	I	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Chaff	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	...
Cheese	...	.....	I	.....	110	5,368	258	112
Coal	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53,361	...
(bunker)	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38,894	...
Confectionery	...	.....	.....	.....	583	23,335	.....	2
Cordage, rope, twine, &c.	tons	.....	164	.....	148	11,225	.....	I
Drapery	...	.....	799	.....	1,123	152,581	.....	114
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals	...	8	214	54	137	11,145	I	38
Earthenware	tons	.....	42	.....	48	590	.....	11
Eggs (in shell)	...	.....	.....	.....	133	2,852	.....	79
Fish, fresh or frozen	...	.....	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	731
Oysters, fresh or other	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88
Flour	tons	4	.....	11	...	136	I	...
Fruit, fresh	cases	16,803	.....	142,956	...	41,202	13,866	...
Furniture	tons	.....	21	.....	644	7,932	.....	...
Glass and Glassware	...	15	830	.....	103	1,274	.....	232
Grain—Maize	...	32	.....	308	...	2,552	3,955	...
Oats	...	.....	.....	1,155	...	11,590	.....	...
Hardware	...	485	299	221	251	27,530	40	25
Hay	...	.....	.....	27	...	125	942	...
Hides and Skins	...	4	279	.....	1,457	107,246	.....	404
Iron—Galvanized	...	404	.....	8	...	566	.....	...
Pig	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Jams and Jellies	...	.....	.....	.....	279	8,626	.....	2
Leatherware	...	.....	67	.....	221	38,632	.....	18
Machinery and Machines	...	107	510	185	617	35,848	43	78
Matches and Match-making Materials	...	.....	82	.....	321	14,041	.....	17
Milk and Cream, preserved	...	.....	2	.....	198	8,994	.....	120
Molasses and Syrup	tons	.....	.....	131	43	1,446	551	...
Melons, Pumpkins, Squashes	No.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,582	...
Onions	tons	.....	.....	865	...	8,955	.....	...
Oilmen's Stores	...	5	356	19	210	12,781	13	35
Potatoes	...	.....	.....	4,820	...	30,118	40	...
Saddlery	...	.....	25	.....	3	272	.....	...
Soap	...	.....	I	2	212	7,584	255	76
Specie	tons	.....	.....	.....	3	2,250	.....	...
Spirits—Brandy	...	.....	6	.....	109	18,891	.....	I
Gin	...	.....	17	.....	25	4,154	.....	I
Rum	...	.....	.....	.....	319	50,470	.....	I
Whisky	...	.....	90	.....	178	35,430	.....	2
Sugar	...	.....	.....	4,172	...	96,738	1,079	...
Tea	...	.....	1,797	.....	235	9,984	.....	I
Timber—Sawn	sup. ft.	3,697,794	.....	1,611,870	...	15,402	3,853,363	...
Rough	"	35,972	.....	607,871	...	4,524	2,344,553	...
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	tons	.....	471	.....	308	39,485	.....	...
Vegetables, fresh	...	.....	2	166	23	953	44	I
Waters, Cordials, &c.	...	.....	.....	.....	79	2,417	.....	...
Wines	...	.....	3	.....	444	11,709	.....	112
Woodenware	...	2	51	.....	166	3,034	.....	18
Wool—Bales and Butts	No.	.....	.....	8,114	...	163,658	962	...
Bags	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	147	...
Woollens	tons	.....	16	.....	199	18,080	.....	...
All other Articles	...	20,395	17,824	12,449	11,422	686,697	7,676	10,601
Total	...	.....	24,054	.....	21,787	1,880,350	.....	15,797

* The total oversea imports were valued at £1,943,782.

No. 17.—Shipping—all Ports.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Customs Department.)

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage Entered.		Tonnage Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1906	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
1908	3,196	6,298,834	3,219	6,303,125	5,822,060	476,724	5,737,747	565,378
1909	2,861	5,870,034	2,767	5,689,426	5,388,231	481,803	5,254,376	435,050
1910	2,937	6,290,119	3,035	6,471,855	5,892,049	398,070	6,047,832	424,023
1911	3,127	6,822,135	3,146	6,833,782	6,427,442	394,693	6,424,865	408,917
1912	3,354	7,490,046	3,346	7,453,005	7,010,420	479,626	6,975,678	477,327
1913	3,393	8,117,501	3,375	8,071,101	7,800,389	317,112	7,744,422	326,679
Jan.-June, 1914	1,799	4,393,002	1,765	4,318,636	4,147,905	245,097	4,119,514	199,122
1914-15	3,000	7,051,503	3,059	7,219,914	6,892,390	159,113	7,004,886	215,028
1915-16	3,045	6,552,235	3,062	6,574,582	6,346,795	205,440	6,360,428	214,154
1916-17	2,239	5,836,272	2,610	5,784,164	5,719,724	116,548	5,673,942	110,222
July-May, 1917-8	1,992	4,069,618	2,010	4,047,376	3,956,742	112,876	3,818,756	228,620
" 1916-7	2,036	5,426,839	2,400	5,349,703	5,313,870	112,969	5,252,050	97,653
May, 1918	181	306,099	197	348,355	302,260	3,839	335,063	13,292
" 1917	212	469,393	236	502,287	454,373	15,020	490,191	12,096

NOTE.—The shipping recorded in the above table is "Oversea" and "Interstate" only.

No. 18.—Shipping entered—Port of Sydney.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Year.	Description of Vessels.	Number of Vessels.			Net Tonnage.		
		Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.	Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.
1907	Steam ...	2,456	6,589	9,045	5,105,343	1,553,200	6,658,543
	Sailing ...	318	1,011	1,329	377,080	134,516	511,596
1908	Steam ...	2,460	6,469	8,929	5,205,883	1,596,569	6,802,452
	Sailing ...	190	904	1,094	169,339	135,783	305,122
1909	Steam ...	2,314	5,713	8,027	5,148,293	1,483,635	6,631,928
	Sailing ...	193	724	917	171,638	97,491	269,129
1910	Steam ...	2,292	5,700	7,992	5,398,910	1,474,145	6,873,055
	Sailing ...	173	679	852	174,789	89,464	264,253
1911	Steam ...	2,408	6,138	8,546	5,903,713	1,626,209	7,529,922
	Sailing ...	168	502	670	159,031	80,087	239,118
1912	Steam ...	2,747	6,417	9,164	6,580,862	1,738,343	8,319,205
	Sailing ...	110	401	511	120,072	54,782	174,854
1913	Steam ...	2,696	6,718	9,414	7,063,444	1,790,740	8,854,184
	Sailing ...	107	401	508	109,725	54,876	164,601
Jan.-June, 1914	Steam ...	1,371	3,278	4,649	3,722,136	881,795	4,603,931
	Sailing ...	65	167	232	80,675	25,971	106,646
1914-15	Steam ...	2,452	6,640	9,092	6,290,718	1,761,927	8,052,645
	Sailing ...	70	304	374	67,980	43,708	111,688
1915-16	Steam ...	2,321	6,571	8,892	5,589,677	1,762,430	7,352,107
	Sailing ...	152	241	393	136,511	46,659	183,170
1916-17	Steam ...	2,026	6,100	8,126	5,000,450	1,576,907	6,577,357
	Sailing ...	127	200	327	107,841	40,630	148,471
July-May, 1917-8	Steam ...	1,582	4,963	6,545	3,536,377	1,227,127	4,763,504
	Sailing ...	111	190	301	113,938	34,839	148,777
" 1916-7	Steam ...	1,872	5,594	7,466	4,653,479	1,451,338	6,104,817
	Sailing ...	116	184	300	96,240	37,015	133,255
May, 1918	Steam ...	135	517	652	242,770	123,637	366,407
	Sailing ...	9	15	24	7,310	4,938	12,248
" 1917	Steam ...	173	552	725	420,572	140,973	561,545
	Sailing ...	13	21	34	17,826	4,387	22,213

NOTE.—"Oversea and Interstate" shipping includes the trips and tonnages of vessels which proceed to Newcastle for bunker coal, which return to Sydney, but which do not then report at the Customs.

No. 19.—State Revenue (May), and eleven months (July to May).

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	May.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to May.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1917.	1918.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth Returns ...	191,489	216,877	25,388	2,106,379	2,124,815	18,436
Taxation (by State) ...	401,784	501,645	99,861	1,979,255	2,059,156	79,901
Public Lands ...	128,090	132,956	4,866	1,583,346	1,688,781	105,435
All other sources ...	57,064	77,670	20,606	708,176	777,985	69,809
Gross Total ...	778,427	929,148	150,721	6,377,156	6,650,737	273,581
Refunds ...	4,772	9,757	4,985	103,701	134,002	30,301
Net Total ...	773,655	919,391	145,736	6,273,455	6,516,735	243,280
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	937,099	1,063,146	126,047	9,494,825	9,906,589	411,764
Other ...	94,069	171,430	77,361	1,376,624	1,538,165	161,541
Gross Total ...	1,031,168	1,234,576	203,408	10,871,449	11,444,754	573,305
Refunds ...	9,297	12,563	3,266	63,399	89,084	25,685
Net Total ...	1,021,871	1,222,013	200,142	10,808,050	11,355,670	547,620
Net Revenue and Receipts proper	£ 1,795,526	2,141,404	345,878	17,081,505	17,872,405	790,900

No. 20.—State Expenditure (May), and eleven months (July to May).

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	May.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to May.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1917.	1918.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	530,055	565,784	35,729	6,103,871	6,359,160	255,289
Business Undertakings ...	759,893	768,843	8,950	7,447,753	7,440,674	(—) 7,079
Interest ...	192,931	196,958	4,027	4,955,599	5,260,454	304,855
Total Expenditure ...	£ 1,482,879	1,531,585	48,708	18,507,223	19,060,288	553,065

No. 21.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, eleven months (July to May).

Particulars.	1916-17.	1917-18.
	£	£
Balance on 1st July ...	Dr. 214,340	Dr. 483,138
Revenue proper—Governmental ...	6,273,455*	6,516,735*
Business Undertakings ...	10,808,050*	11,355,670*
Other Receipts ...	29,955	99,783
Total Receipts ...	£ 17,111,460	17,972,188
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...	6,103,871†	6,359,160†
Business Undertakings ...	7,447,753†	7,440,674†
Interest ...	4,955,599	5,260,454
Bogan Scrub Clearing ...	.....	.....
Two-thirds Net-proceeds Sale—Crown Lands ...	120,000	150,000
Transfer to Special Deposit Account, Forestry Revenue ...	13,190	30,098
Public Works Fund, Grant in aid ...	235,000	250,000
Wheat Acquisition Act ...	57,714	.....
Meat Supply for Imperial Uses Act ...	37,710	61,716
Other Payments ...	125,614	383,483
Total Payments ...	£ 19,096,451	19,935,585
Balance at 31st May ...	£ Dr. 2,199,331	Dr. 2,446,535

* As per Table No. 19. † As per Table No. 20.

NOTE.—The total receipts in this table (No. 21), represent the gross transactions, including advances recovered, while the expenditure includes transfers to various funds, also temporary advances made. These items are not included in Tables Nos. 19 and 20, but they are necessary in order to ascertain the balances of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. 22.—State Revenue—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	593,320	738,008	1,331,328	525,573	831,945	1,357,518	(+) 26,190
August ...	682,910	869,932	1,552,842	581,910	671,620	1,253,530	(—) 299,312
September ...	488,850	990,422	1,479,272	482,139	762,452	1,244,591	(—) 234,681
October ...	461,276	1,038,970	1,500,246	532,550	1,090,385	1,622,935	(+) 122,689
November ...	583,017	953,621	1,536,638	513,201	1,073,625	1,586,826	(+) 50,188
December ...	508,788	977,070	1,485,858	647,437	1,097,937	1,744,474	(+) 258,616
January ...	573,897	967,898	1,541,795	672,333	1,129,828	1,802,161	(+) 260,366
February ...	498,171	941,888	1,440,059	521,885	1,042,582	1,564,467	(+) 124,408
March ...	505,281	1,193,307	1,758,588	567,256	1,089,466	1,656,722	(—) 101,866
April ...	544,290	1,115,063	1,659,353	553,060	1,344,717	1,897,777	(+) 238,424
May ...	773,655	1,021,871	1,795,526	919,391	1,222,013	2,141,404	(+) 345,878
Total (11 months)...	6,273,455	10,808,050	17,081,505	6,516,735	11,355,670	17,872,405	(+) 790,900

No. 23.—State Expenditure—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	878,593	705,187	1,583,780	919,511	737,549	1,657,060	(+) 73,280
August ...	884,168	732,179	1,616,347	916,274	724,447	1,640,721	(+) 24,374
September ...	1,626,447	637,511	2,263,958	1,122,699	334,774	1,457,473	(—) 806,485
October ...	1,112,391	638,353	1,750,744	1,721,598	606,811	2,328,409	(+) 577,665
November ...	652,911	710,834	1,363,745	809,532	700,554	1,510,086	(+) 146,341
December ...	799,420	612,481	1,411,901	676,223	677,880	1,354,103	(—) 57,798
January ...	860,932	714,254	1,575,186	996,930	810,328	1,807,258	(+) 232,072
February ...	842,908	637,743	1,480,651	860,467	703,673	1,564,140	(+) 83,489
March ...	1,652,882	675,946	2,328,828	1,137,700	644,183	1,781,883	(—) 546,945
April ...	1,025,832	623,372	1,649,204	1,695,938	731,632	2,427,570	(+) 778,366
May ...	722,986	759,893	1,482,879	762,742	768,843	1,531,585	(+) 48,706
Total (11 months)...	11,059,470	7,447,753	18,507,223	11,619,614	7,440,674	19,060,288	(+) 553,065

No. 24.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans, 1907-17.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Docks, Resumptions, &c.).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	85,607,832	421,742	325,908	172,361	174,227	1,094,238
1908	87,635,826	1,363,314	370,819	138,561	92,635	1,965,329
1909	90,307,419	2,127,633	617,589	114,095	47,190	2,906,507
1910	92,525,095	2,471,284	578,111	158,732	38,513	3,246,640
1911	95,523,926	2,547,672	730,819	234,213	409,054	3,921,758
1912	100,052,635	3,448,127	1,344,211	413,998	284,767	5,491,103
1913	106,170,747	4,618,967	1,595,093	676,180	813,354	7,703,594
1914	116,695,031	5,714,904	1,942,497	862,927	606,456	9,126,844
1915	127,735,405	4,690,908	1,368,260	685,231	251,708	6,996,107
1916	130,514,018	4,983,632	1,535,364	1,005,291	648,817	8,173,104
1917	138,138,347	3,842,809	1,435,674	962,881	620,815	6,862,179

NOTE.—Redemptions of Loans are not included in the Expenditure.

No. 25.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1909-10 to 1916-17.

Head of Revenue.								1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental :—															
Taxation—															
Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and re-								£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
turned to State								3,347,616	1,942,245	2,046,993	2,178,683	2,248,241	2,287,295	2,297,872	2,286,913
State								1,223,521	1,027,519	1,885,653	1,405,360	2,330,005	2,955,670	3,117,221	3,629,404
								£							
Land—								4,571,137	2,969,764	3,932,646	3,584,043	4,578,246	5,242,965	5,415,093	5,916,317
Alienations								850,363	944,030	894,797	999,363	982,885	906,785	1,057,711	972,658
Revenue								818,869	810,427	774,451	836,585	846,002	791,296	807,602	774,351
								£							
Receipts for Services rendered								1,669,232	1,754,457	1,669,248	1,835,948	1,828,887	1,698,081	1,865,313	1,747,009
								£							
Miscellaneous Receipts								375,951	419,388	383,669	412,727	453,016	408,390	414,671	417,345
Industrial Undertakings of the State								356,488	317,082	647,672	495,427	482,649	561,093	502,328	550,008
								.....	.....	20,281	32,885	6,300	10,358	9,060	12,710
Total Governmental								£							
								6,972,808	5,460,691	6,653,516	6,361,030	7,349,098	7,920,887	8,206,465	8,643,389
Business Undertakings by the State :—															
Railway Commissioners								6,664,236	7,412,127	8,067,597	8,544,376	9,684,877	9,660,822	9,990,502	10,390,602
Sydney Harbour Trust								337,454	374,280	412,410	452,244	470,773	464,681	489,722	511,980
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage								512,615	537,355	584,654	633,599	713,056	796,338	844,664	866,314
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board								52,960	54,686	58,788	66,145	80,945	85,823	98,089	99,448
Total Business Undertakings								£							
								7,567,265	8,378,448	9,123,449	9,696,364	10,949,651	11,007,664	11,422,977	11,868,344
Total								£							
								14,540,073	13,839,139	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)								42,342	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
Grand Total								£							
								14,582,415	13,882,485	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835

No. 26.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1909-10 to 1916-17.

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Head of Expenditure.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental:—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Government (exclusive of Business Undertakings)	807,929	801,754	897,215	950,895	1,022,732	971,435	1,057,769	1,004,193
Reduction of Public Debt	421,034	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Local Government and Main Roads—Endowments and Grants ...	281,815	295,714	341,264	281,304	258,352	281,243	344,022	308,336
Hospitals and Charities (including Lunacy)	518,321	550,956	567,185	643,969	733,387	769,311	880,243	929,218
Police and Prisons	529,935	558,681	574,781	641,858	655,189	653,282	652,119	694,514
Departments:—								
Premier	52,492	62,727	109,632	115,303	85,925	185,883	175,978	132,923
Chief Secretary and Public Health (excluding Police, Hospitals, &c.)	88,746	90,293	101,533	107,827	122,666	132,955	126,539	135,172
Treasurer (excluding Charitable Allowances, &c.)	476,295	488,501	586,994	603,520	624,716	593,936	594,751	735,911
Attorney-General and Justice (excluding Prisons)	264,279	268,528	291,971	301,788	325,776	333,965	334,058	331,390
Lands	370,294	380,061	382,396	391,752	384,478	451,025	410,017	384,854
Public Works (excluding Local Government Endowments, &c.) ...	380,850	399,368	507,650	540,515	418,225	441,523	444,698	459,035
Public Instruction (including Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions)	1,145,038	1,206,942	1,405,358	1,490,205	1,607,324	1,635,453	1,698,515	1,853,049
Labour and Industry	5,477	6,086	19,098	39,510	54,049	43,759	50,111	55,156
Mines	61,707	63,644	64,347	63,157	67,834	71,010	74,803	62,425
Agriculture	165,047	175,054	187,062	216,366	295,943	236,163	245,298	249,244
Local Government and Main Roads ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,777	29,612
All other Services	522,884	411,140	387,790	545,927	450,190	420,223	445,516	467,941
Total, Governmental	£ 6,092,143	6,168,798	6,861,197	7,384,498	7,112,418	7,226,854	7,562,718	7,839,841
Business Undertakings, including Interest on Capital:—								
Railways and Tramways	6,131,654	6,759,942	7,501,224	8,520,415	9,505,926	9,540,159	10,107,149	10,794,694
Water Supply and Sewerage	536,669	576,072	608,534	644,347	725,931	785,300	841,278	984,803
Sydney Harbour Trust	286,212	307,253	314,143	332,839	366,698	383,435	420,669	464,564
Total, Business Undertakings	£ 6,954,535	7,643,267	8,423,901	9,497,601	10,598,555	10,708,894	11,369,096	12,244,061
Transfers to Public Works and Closer Settlement Funds	1,146,177	636,153	638,729	559,698	336,541	499,408	589,818	563,043
Advances made	37,531	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688
Grand Total	£ 14,230,386	14,470,687	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633

No. 27.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1911-12 to 1916-17.

	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward ...	Cr. 401,505	Cr. 61,363	Dr. 1,167,017	Dr. 793,978	Dr. 363,931	Dr. 214,240
Net Revenue Proper ...	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Advances Repaid ...	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
(A) Total Receipts for year	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835
Net Expenditure Proper ...	14,848,177	16,356,497	17,705,341	17,930,060	18,925,310	20,077,034
Payments to Sinking Fund..	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Advances—Treasurer's Account and Loan Votes ...	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688
Public Works Fund—Statutory payment of $\frac{2}{3}$ of Proceeds of Sale of Crown lands, less 20 per cent. ...	348,664	359,698	336,541	299,408	354,818	328,043
Payments in aid—						
Public Works Fund ...	290,065	200,000	.....	200,000	235,000	235,000
Closer Settlement Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advance to Railway Loan A/c	.....	75,000	.....	.....	.....	.....
(B) Total Disbursements during year ...	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633
Surplus on Transactions of year—(A)–(B) ...	(–)340,143	(–)1,228,380	373,039	430,048	149,591	(–)268,798

(–) Denotes deficiency.

No. 28.—Revenue per head collected by the State, 1907-1917.

Year.	Governmental.					Business Undertakings.				
	Taxation.	Returned by Commonwealth	Land Revenue.	Other Revenue.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewerage.	Harbour Trust.	Total.	Total Revenue.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906-7	0 18 5	2 0 4	1 5 2	9 2 4	13 1	3 14 8	7 2 4	0 4 5	10 8 18	11
1907-8	0 14 1	2 6 11	1 3 4	8 11 4	13 3	3 18 0	7 2 4	3 4 9	5 9 2	8
1908-9	0 11 7	2 3 0	1 2 10	8 3 4	5 8	3 18 8	6 10 4	3 4 9	9 8 15	5
1909-10	0 15 4	2 1 11	1 1 8	8 11 3	7 10	4 3 6	7 1 4	3 4 14	10 9 2	8
1910-11	0 12 6	1 3 9	1 2 5	8 6 4	7 2	4 10 6	7 2 4	7 5 2	3 8 9	5
1911-12	1 2 2	1 4 1	1 0 10	11 6 3	18 7	4 15 0	7 7 4	10 5 7	5 9 6	0
1912-13	0 15 10	1 4 6	1 0 7	12 10 3	13 9	4 16 1	7 10 5	1 5 9	6 10 1	2
1913-14	1 5 5	1 4 6	0 19 11	11 10 4	1 8	5 5 8	8 5 2	5 19 6	10 1 2	9
1914-15	1 11 8	1 4 7	0 18 3	10 8 4	5 2	5 3 8	9 5 5	0 5 18	1 10 3	3
1915-16	1 13 4	1 4 7	1 0 10	8 4 8	7 5	6 11 10	1 5 3	6 2 3	10 10 10	
1916-17	1 18 11	1 4 7	0 18 9	10 9 4	13 0	5 11 6	10 5 5	6 7 5	11 0 5	

No. 29.—Expenditure per head by the State, 1907-17.

Year.	Governmental.				Business Undertakings.				Total Expenditure.
	Public Instruction.	Interest and Sinking Funds.	Other Services.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.*	Water and Sewerage.*	Harbour Trust.*	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906-7	0 12 8	0 17 6	3 5 4	4 15 6	3 5 11	6 3 3	6 3 15	8 11 2	
1907-8	0 13 7	0 14 10	3 12 6	5 0 11	3 9 0	6 7 3	7 3 19	9 0 1	
1908-9	0 13 11	0 15 10	3 15 7	5 5 4	3 13 1	6 9 3	7 4 3	5 9 8	9
1909-10	0 14 4	0 15 5	3 1 4	4 11 1	3 16 10	6 8 3	7 4 7	1 8 18	2
1910-11	0 14 9	0 14 10	2 13 8	4 3 3	4 2 6	7 1 3	9 4 13	4 8 16	7
1911-12	0 16 5	0 15 8	2 18 8	4 10 9	4 8 4	7 3 3	8 4 19	3 9 10	0
1912-13	0 16 9	0 15 9	2 17 4	4 9 10	4 15 9	7 3 3	9 5 6	9 16 7	
1913-14	0 17 7	0 11 3	2 12 8	4 1 6	5 3 9	7 11 4	0 5 15	8 17 2	
1914-15	0 17 6	0 10 6	2 15 9	4 3 9	5 2 5	8 5 4	1 5 14	11 9 18	8
1915-16	0 18 2	0 11 5	2 18 0	4 7 7	5 8 2	9 0 4	6 6 1	8 10 9	3
1916-17	0 19 11	0 10 10	3 1 2	4 11 11	5 15 10	7 5 0	6 11 5	11 3 4	

NOTE.—See Tables Nos. 28 and 29 for actual amounts received and expended.

* Includes payment of interest on capital expenditure.

No. 30.—Trading Banks—Liabilities.

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
1908	1,712,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,610,985	357,320	45,971,186
1909	1,639,826	298,868	18,846,211	25,834,135	44,680,346	129,093	46,768,133
1910	1,801,807	370,885	23,512,712	26,642,873	50,155,585	100,348	52,428,625
1911	1,819,180	402,760	25,985,355	29,341,683	55,327,038	206,181	57,755,159
1912	226,151	418,504	27,937,492	30,292,076	58,229,568	177,130	59,051,353
1913	142,686	431,429	26,504,388	30,777,791	57,282,179	861,270	58,717,564
1914	111,939	510,811	29,944,028	32,983,400	62,927,437	1,177,395	64,727,552
1915	95,505	419,227	33,186,317	35,031,367	68,217,684	1,230,574	69,968,990
1916	87,316	529,211	43,610,878	36,435,167	80,046,045	2,120,888	82,783,460
1917	80,765	584,564	46,599,978	37,449,286	84,049,264	1,534,805	86,249,398
Sept. 1917	77,976	454,887	41,221,201	38,653,060	79,874,267	1,563,552	81,970,682
Dec., 1917	76,355	646,332	38,652,032	38,763,384	77,415,416	1,564,032	79,702,135
Mar., 1918	73,619	739,535	39,811,319	39,562,775	79,374,094	1,660,530	81,847,778
" 1917	83,290	747,717	44,930,620	36,938,472	81,869,092	1,602,938	84,303,037

† Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits which have already been included under the returns of Savings Banks—Table No. 33. On 31st March, 1918, the amount so included was £4,171,769.

No. 31.—Trading Banks—Assets.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	8,966,445	162,008	.....	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
1908	9,617,962	192,432	.....	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,974
1909	10,096,626	222,304	.....	1,791,040	37,109,453	344,069	419,509	49,983,001
1910	12,785,389	195,204	.....	1,824,349	37,482,907	407,089	607,367	53,302,395
1911	14,327,999	196,961	1,770,751	1,871,811	42,456,515	664,320	618,467	61,906,824
1912	12,116,947	196,110	1,992,519	1,930,319	47,449,649	293,103	488,699	64,467,346
1913	11,839,977	143,723	1,854,248	1,967,555	45,147,699	365,625	1,110,028	62,428,855
1914	15,364,463	120,338	1,845,189	1,953,111	47,765,084	498,760	1,571,433	69,118,378
1915	14,711,181	117,900	7,273,320	2,108,633	51,379,741	484,435	1,322,677	77,397,887
1916	11,570,443	134,935	13,073,103	2,255,032	59,101,909	504,809	2,284,894	88,925,125
1917	11,022,375	541,657	11,766,417	2,348,946	63,031,127	534,028	1,839,955	91,084,505
Sept. 1917	11,459,040	602,490	10,781,937	2,366,243	64,991,098	507,208	1,900,997	92,609,013
Dec. 1917	11,392,585	482,433	9,345,552	2,421,896	66,291,077	514,980	2,075,504	92,524,027
Mar., 1918	11,040,755	399,880	10,396,798	2,414,751	69,322,842	523,246	2,248,947	96,347,219
" 1917	11,293,419	345,345	11,040,018	2,349,907	63,463,899	482,002	1,775,927	90,750,517

No. 32.—Trading Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.					Amount.				
					£				
1906	...	...	...	...	220,860,512	1912	...	...	330,621,122
1907	...	...	...	...	234,169,822	1913	...	...	348,741,175
1908	...	...	...	...	227,736,243	1914	...	...	353,068,040
1909	...	...	...	...	240,645,737	1915	...	...	357,803,424
1910	...	...	...	...	274,343,666	1916	...	...	422,371,972
1911	...	...	...	...	304,488,435	1917	...	...	444,532,930
Total, 1st January to 27th May, 1918					...	222,103,503			
" " 28th " 1917					...	183,083,829			

No. 33.—Savings Banks.

Year ended 30th June.	Number of Depositors on 30th June.	Value of Deposits on 30th June.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited on 30th June.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1907	408,859	16,338,051	1,456,791	39 19 2	10 15 3
1908	435,618	17,849,384	1,511,333	40 19 6	11 11 3
1909	444,930	19,022,151	1,172,767	42 15 1	12 11 6
1910	478,006	20,823,764	1,801,613	43 11 3	12 18 0
1911	522,251	23,381,014	2,557,250	44 15 4	14 1 5
1912	577,232	26,539,640	3,158,626	45 19 6	15 5 3
†1913	647,124	29,568,282	3,028,642	45 13 10	16 6 10
†1914	717,737	33,167,523	3,599,241	46 4 3	17 17 2
†1915	755,835	35,562,649	2,395,126	47 1 0	19 0 9
†1916	806,882	37,363,272	1,800,623	46 6 1	20 0 8
†1917	872,351	40,836,747	3,473,475	46 16 3	21 17 4
†30th Sep., 1917	†885,891	†41,287,811	†451,064	†46 12 1	†22 0 4
†31st Dec., 1917	†892,033	†41,132,275	†(-)155,536	†46 2 3	...
† „ 1916	†835,984	†37,949,373	†483,327	†45 7 11	†20 11 0

† Includes returns from Savings Bank Branch of Commonwealth Bank of Australia. ‡ Information at end of quarter.

No. 34.—State Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1½	47,487,030
1909	3,623	47,612,666	2,075,026	15,074,144	2 9	52,051,556
1910	3,643	48,925,348	2,209,306	15,468,026	2 10½	53,644,271
1911	3,761	50,971,894	2,351,144	17,006,697	2 9½	60,919,628
1912	3,832	53,514,903	2,321,882	18,521,320	2 6	70,706,728
1913	3,930	57,653,778	2,104,104	19,184,247	2 2½	79,490,012
1914	3,967	61,264,869	2,332,421	20,549,695	2 3½	86,328,421
1915	4,134	65,583,274	2,305,349	20,420,023	2 3	88,774,451
1916	4,188	68,825,592	2,344,910	21,556,034	2 2½	92,850,838
1917	4,437	72,006,621	2,464,725	20,300,717	2 5½	96,709,846
* Sept., 1917	4,437	72,006,621	402,832	3,029,393	2 7½	20,433,039
* Dec., „	4,580	72,006,621	837,795	4,892,286	3 5	22,863,583
* Mar., 1918	4,580	72,006,621	968,748	4,908,592	3 11½	25,269,940
„ 1917	4,309	68,825,592	895,761	5,250,917	3 5	24,166,894

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 35.—State Tramways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Tramway miles run.	Net earnings per tram mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	129	3,669,524	180,754	16,620,434	0 2½	155,017,982
1908	133	3,732,991	202,929	17,521,410	0 2½	172,020,932
1909	151	4,252,731	222,005	18,853,621	0 2½	186,318,738
1910	166	4,668,797	201,981	20,579,386	0 2½	201,151,021
1911	190	5,121,586	221,682	22,541,429	0 2½	230,275,938
1912	195	5,664,324	249,980	24,362,219	0 2½	266,789,546
1913	208	6,699,305	182,376	26,954,767	0 1½	294,455,452
1914	212	7,628,653	265,131	28,415,476	0 2½	310,592,698
1915	220	7,970,293	374,774	26,842,974	0 3½	289,282,845
1916	221	8,166,423	388,978	26,451,442	0 3½	292,021,774
1917	224	8,309,629	317,172	25,361,992	0 3	295,303,714
* Sept., 1917	224	8,309,629	32,509	3,809,354	0 2	48,308,318
* Dec., „	225	8,309,629	97,015	5,665,573	0 4	65,620,900
* Mar., 1918	225	8,309,629	168,398	6,040,653	0 6½	71,083,908
„ 1917	224	8,166,423	124,603	6,393,636	0 4½	76,249,871

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 36.—Area under Crop.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane Cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	Potatoes.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,172	4,951	36,815	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	542,761	4,644	31,917	2,570,137
1909	1,394,056	180,812	59,881	6,951	715,896	4,472	26,301	2,713,971
1910	1,990,180	212,797	81,452	6,480	630,664	4,561	35,725	3,174,864
1911	2,128,826	213,217	77,991	5,596	638,577	4,354	44,452	3,381,921
1912	2,380,710	167,781	71,047	5,244	654,149	4,260	43,148	3,629,170
1913	2,231,514	176,471	85,175	6,137	947,062	4,403	34,124	3,737,269
1914	3,205,397	156,820	103,416	6,198	801,130	4,498	38,725	4,568,841
1915	2,758,024	143,663	43,476	6,012	785,944	4,113	30,418	4,808,627
1916	4,188,865	154,130	58,636	6,030	1,108,919	3,501	19,589	5,794,835
1917	3,806,604	155,378	67,111	5,223	858,532	3,442	22,449	5,163,030

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 37.—Production of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,574	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	114,856	7,517,550
1908	9,155,884	4,527,852	851,776	277,390	376,800	778,500	55,882	6,587,990
1909	15,483,276	5,216,038	1,119,558	144,760	730,014	736,262	71,794	8,318,900
1910	28,532,029	7,098,255	1,966,586	131,081	981,201	808,870	100,143	10,908,320
1911	27,913,547	7,594,130	1,702,706	160,311	843,080	805,600	121,033	9,493,060
1912	25,088,102	4,507,342	1,155,226	147,799	728,474	850,210	75,166	9,748,820
1913	32,487,336	5,111,990	1,674,075	140,914	1,108,275	719,100	91,642	11,816,790
1914	38,020,381	4,453,309	1,835,406	185,970	955,047	561,100	106,849	12,377,650
1915	12,830,530	3,174,825	513,910	181,606	613,262	549,140	40,709	10,031,760
1916	66,764,910	3,773,600	1,345,698	157,748	1,573,938	571,000	44,445	20,362,360
1917	36,598,000	4,333,480	1,084,980	143,558	1,174,050	628,950	45,331	11,487,830

No. 38.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£ s. d.
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'34	1'36	230	3'11	2 13 3
1908	6'6	28'1	11'2	27'97	0'69	168	1'75	2 11 3
1909	11'1	28'8	18'7	20'83	1'02	165	2'73	3 1 3
1910	14'3	33'4	24'1	20'23	1'56	177	2'80	3 8 9
1911	13'1	35'6	21'8	28'65	1'32	185	2'72	2 16 2
1912	10'5	26'9	16'3	28'18	1'11	200	1'74	2 13 9
1913	14'6	29'0	19'7	22'96	1'17	163	2'68	3 3 3
1914	11'9	28'4	17'7	30'00	1'19	125	2'76	2 14 2
1915	4'7	22'1	11'8	30'21	0'78	134	1'34	2 1 9
1916	15'9	24'5	23'0	26'16	1'42	163	2'27	3 10 3
Avg for 10 years	11'8	29'4	19'0	25'37	1'17	172	2'41	2 17 9
1917	9'6	27'9	16'2	27'49	1'37	183	2'02	2 4 6

No. 39.—Live Stock.

Period.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st Dec., 1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
" 1907	578,326	756,916	1,994,277	44,461,839	216,145
" 1908	591,045	777,149	2,178,785	43,370,797	215,822
" 1909	604,784	794,549	2,233,178	46,202,578	237,849
" 1910	650,636	866,030	2,274,277	45,560,969	321,632
" 1911	689,004	894,744	2,299,492	44,947,287	371,093
" 1912	716,457	852,782	2,188,052	39,044,502	293,653
" 1913	746,170	822,667	2,000,073	39,850,223	288,090
30th June, 1915	733,341	850,957	1,626,635	33,009,038	286,704
" 1916	719,542	835,719	1,570,051	32,600,729	281,158
" 1917	733,791	854,632	1,911,311	36,196,383	359,763

* The figures for the last ten years are made up as follow :—

Period.	Milch Cows.		Dry Dairy Cows		Heifers within 3 months of calving.		Total Dairy Cows.
31st Dec., 1907	..	506,395	..	206,828	..	43,693	756,916
" 1908	..	527,843	..	208,840	..	40,466	777,149
" 1909	..	566,378	..	189,507	..	38,664	794,549
" 1910	..	632,786	..	193,657	..	39,587	866,030
" 1911	..	638,525	..	218,593	..	37,626	894,744
" 1912	..	620,730	..	201,310	..	30,742	852,782
" 1913	..	600,420	..	189,769	..	32,478	822,667
30th June, 1915	..	426,173	..	344,247	..	80,537	850,957
" 1916	..	426,227	..	317,368	..	92,124	835,719
" 1917	..	424,033	..	319,230	..	111,369	854,632

No. 40.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1906	325,441,000	487,830	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	367,446,000	490,430	60,041,449	4,586,857	10,358,526
1908	338,129,000	420,630	61,380,876	4,763,360	9,488,299
1909	370,808,000	640,110	62,865,608	4,775,268	9,931,377
1910	415,338,000	742,200	76,624,830	5,191,089	12,620,067
1911	371,546,000	729,330	83,204,568	5,460,652	16,102,827
1912	326,804,000	568,500	76,609,528	5,454,685	16,526,376
1913	357,985,000	795,020	77,779,197	6,620,648	15,192,263
Jany. to June, 1914	131,810,000*	348,680*	42,427,000*	2,882,000*	6,587,000*
1914-15	318,935,000	711,850	84,134,280	6,356,627	15,327,048
1915-16	262,045,000	274,000	59,631,543	5,979,636	13,576,641
1916-17	270,525,000	379,660	79,364,471	7,830,239	15,788,156

*Partly estimated.

No. 41.—Persons employed permanently in Rural Occupations.

Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1906	111,625	19,817	131,442	1912	129,174	25,204	154,378
1907	117,522	21,341	138,863	1913	127,414	24,218	151,632
1908	120,106	20,809	140,915	1914	128,029	25,428	153,457
1909	119,836	22,317	142,153	1915	122,510	23,792	146,302
1910	123,769	22,573	146,342	1916	119,277	24,147	143,424
1911	126,548	24,632	151,180	1917	116,092	26,077	142,169

No. 42.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter† (Finest Quality).		Wool.		Tallow.
			Average Top.	Average Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
May, 1917	... 83 0	27 17 0	192	...	18 ³ / ₄	2 3 ⁷ / ₈	47 3
June, "	... 83 0	28 2 6	185	...	17 ¹ / ₂	2 1	46 10
July, "	... 84 0	28 18 6	191 ¹ / ₂	...	18 ¹ / ₂	2 2 ³ / ₈	47 7
August, "	... 84 0	28 18 6	204 ¹ / ₂	...	18 ¹ / ₂	2 2 ¹ / ₂	49 11
September, "	... 77 6	*	\$206	...	+...	+...	+...
October, "	... 79 0	*	\$206	...	+...	+...	+...
November, "	... 79 0	*	\$220	...	+...	+...	+...
December, "	... 79 0	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...
January, 1918	... 80 6	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...
February, "	... *	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...
March, "	... *	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...
April, "	... *	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...
May, "	... *	*	‡252	...	+...	+...	+...

* No quotations. † Average price for Australian Butter only. No separate quote received for N.S. Wales Butter.
 § Proclaimed price. ‡ Not available. ¶ Government flat rate for all imported butter.

No. 43.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).*	Flour (In 150 lb. bags).	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	Hay (Oaten).
	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.
May, 1917 ...	4 9	11 1 9	8'8	13'2	2 10	3 3 ³ / ₈	5 13 6
June, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	8'4	13'2	2 10 ⁷ / ₈	3 5	5 10 0
July, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	8'4	13'2	2 10 ⁷ / ₈	3 3 ³ / ₈	4 18 3
August, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 3 ¹ / ₄	3 11 ³ / ₄	4 17 6
September, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 4 ⁵ / ₈	4 4 ⁷ / ₈	5 1 3
October, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 6 ⁵ / ₈	4 5 ¹ / ₂	4 5 9
November, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 6 ³ / ₈	4 6 ³ / ₈	5 6 9
December, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 8 ³ / ₈	5 2 ³ / ₈	6 3 3
January, 1918 ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 5 ³ / ₄	5 3 ³ / ₈	5 0 0
February, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 7 ¹ / ₈	5 3 ³ / ₈	4 15 0
March, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	4 0 ¹ / ₈	5 2 ¹ / ₄	5 0 0
April, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	4 4 ³ / ₈	4 11 ⁵ / ₈	4 16 9
May, " ...	4 9	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	4 11 ³ / ₈	4 10	4 14 3

Potatoes (Local).	Butter (Good Brands)	Cheese (Prime).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.		
					"Norths and Souths."	New Laid.	
per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. s. d.	per doz. s. d.	
May, 1917 ...	4 13 6	16 ¹ / ₈	9 ¹ / ₂	11 ³ / ₄	11 ¹ / ₂	1 7 ¹ / ₂	2 4 ³ / ₈
June, " ...	5 0 0	17	9 ¹ / ₂	10 ⁵ / ₈	11 ¹ / ₂	1 4 ¹ / ₂	1 9
July, " ...	4 13 3	17	9 ¹ / ₂	10 ³ / ₈	11	1 3	1 5 ¹ / ₂
August, " ...	6 13 3	17	9 ¹ / ₂	11 ¹ / ₈	10 ¹ / ₄	0 11	1 0 ³ / ₈
September, " ...	6 1 9	16 ¹ / ₄	10 ¹ / ₂	12	10 ¹ / ₄	0 10	0 11 ¹ / ₂
October, " ...	7 18 3	16 ¹ / ₂	11 ¹ / ₂	12	10 ¹ / ₄	0 9 ¹ / ₄	0 10 ³ / ₄
November, " ...	5 14 3	16	10 ³ / ₈	12	10 ¹ / ₄	0 9 ³ / ₈	1 0
December, " ...	4 6 9	16	9 ³ / ₈	12	10 ¹ / ₄	0 10 ³ / ₈	1 1 ¹ / ₂
January, 1918 ...	5 15 0	16	9	12	9 ³ / ₈	0 11 ¹ / ₂	1 3 ¹ / ₂
February, " ...	5 0 0	16	9 ¹ / ₄	12 ¹ / ₂	8 ¹ / ₂	1 1 ¹ / ₂	1 7 ¹ / ₈
March, " ...	6 13 3	16	9 ¹ / ₄	13	9 ¹ / ₂	1 5	1 10 ³ / ₈
April, " ...	5 3 3	16	9 ¹ / ₄	13	9 ³ / ₄	1 8 ³ / ₈	2 4 ³ / ₈
May, " ...	4 15 0	16	10	12 ¹ / ₂	9 ³ / ₈	1 11 ³ / ₈	2 5 ³ / ₈

* Since the 25th March, 1916, the official f.o.b. price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 10¹/₂d. per bushel. This includes 3¹/₂d. handling and commission charges; but city millers, handling grain for their own mills, obtain it for 1¹/₂d. per bushel less than the f.o.b. price, so that since that date the price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 9d. per bushel (on trucks), Sydney.

No. 44.—Gold produced, January to May, and Minerals exported January to March.

Gold yield during the years 1917 and 1918.

Month.	1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to April	26,628	113,106	27,413	116,445
May	10,604	45,044	6,684	28,392
Total for five months	37,232	158,150	34,097	144,837

Exports of Minerals during first quarter, 1917 and 1916.

Exports.	First Quarter, 1917.		First Quarter, 1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
Silver Ingots and Matte oz.	460,669	71,827	709,957	80,011
Silver-lead, Concentrates, &c. tons.	67,012	769,761	32,118	328,237
Lead, in Matte "	4,191	100,584	7,980	201,929
Zinc Concentrates "	60,268	267,819	30,252	143,788
Copper Ingots, and Ore* "	6,375	772,316	4,710	381,310
Tin Ingots and Ore* "	567	86,170	647	100,554
Coal—				
To Australian Ports "	651,489	453,388	615,600	323,734
„ Other "	292,460	215,512	268,853	154,691
Total, Export of Coal "	943,949	668,900	884,453	478,425
Grand Total ... .. £	.....	2,737,377	.....	1,714,254

* Information respecting total value of copper and tin ore imported or transferred to this State is not available.

No. 45.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1916 and 1917.

Minerals.	1916.		1917.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Metallic—						
Gold oz. fine	108,145	459,370	82,171	349,038	.....	110,332
Silver "	2,801,507	349,367	1,782,004	328,241	.....	21,126
Silver—Lead, Ore, Concentrates, &c. ton	249,849	2,935,624	234,881	4,165,324	1,229,700	.....
Lead—Pig, &c. "	25,466	799,632	20,817	616,531	.....	183,101
Zinc Spelter & Concentrates, "	209,741	961,849	113,531	441,486	.....	520,363
Tin Ingots and Ore "	2,129	306,497	2,072	373,696	67,199	.....
Copper, Matte, Ingots, and Ore "	6,171	586,127	6,576	814,154	228,027	.....
Antimony and Ore "	616	13,334	301	3,738	.....	9,596
Bismuth "	30	5,473	20	9,391	3,918	.....
Wolfram "	183	31,163	118	21,682	.....	9,181
Scheelite "	81	13,719	127	23,419	9,700	.....
Molybdenite "	54	22,066	70	31,608	9,542	.....
Platinum oz.	82	687	259	2,072	1,385	.....
Iron ton	52,556	197,085	45,025	247,637	50,552	.....
Iron Oxide "	2,461	2,695	1,431	1,267	.....	1,428
Ironstone Flux "	1,472	1,083	4,482	3,498	2,415	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	8,127,161	3,336,419	8,292,867	4,422,740	1,086,321	.....
Coke "	437,587	387,571	455,587	541,093	153,522	.....
Kerosene Shale "	17,425	17,772	31,661	36,565	18,793	.....
Alunite "	325	1,980	1,788	10,728	8,748	.....
Limestone Flux "	64,928	20,700	74,440	25,746	5,046	.....
Marble ... .. "	.....	1,625	.....	770	.....	855
Diamonds carat	1,901	1,375	2,991	2,006	631	.....
Opal ... .. "	.....	21,273	.....	12,522	.....	8,751
Sundry Minerals ... .. "	.....	41,370	.....	79,521	38,151	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	10,515,856	.....	12,564,473	2,048,617	.....

NOTE.—The above table does not include lime and Portland cement, valued at £459,866 and £388,246 respectively, in 1916 and 1917. Those items are included in the manufacturing returns.

No. 46.—Value of Minerals Produced, and Total Miners Employed.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.	Total Miners Employed.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	No.
1906	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716	42,546
1907	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290	43,758
1908	954,854	2,160,195	502,812	205,447	3,353,093	8,384,149	38,965
1909	869,546	1,653,615	424,737	211,029	2,618,596	7,403,210	36,405
1910	802,211	1,861,479	486,257	228,156	3,009,657	8,455,170	37,413
1911	769,353	2,442,764	590,102	307,089	3,167,165	9,409,519	37,017
1912	702,129	3,481,266	579,791	338,074	3,660,015	11,228,677	37,858
1913	635,703	3,808,125	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,651,407	38,880
1914	528,873	3,241,263	274,671	267,130	3,737,761	10,038,020	36,467
1915	562,819	2,631,662	234,437	266,780	3,474,630	9,603,230	31,411
1916	459,370	3,284,991	586,127	306,497	3,336,419	10,515,856	31,304

No. 47.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of the whole year 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1917.			
May ...	2,089	2,200	2,184
June ...	2,078	2,163	2,190
July ...	2,083	2,173	2,193
August ...	2,128	2,204	2,203
September ...	2,081	1,990	2,258
October ...	2,014	2,036	2,174
November ...	2,223	2,482	2,220
December ...	2,264	2,424	2,342
1918.			
January ...	2,201	2,423	2,244
February ...	2,253	2,545	2,270
March ...	2,139	2,324	2,293
April ...	*	*	*
May ...	*	*	*

* Not available.

No. 48.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1906	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,407,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
1907	4,432	65,953	20,514	86,467	9,155,772	6,650,715	40,018,301
1908	4,453	67,616	21,482	89,098	9,718,842	7,218,556	40,163,826
1909	4,581	69,184	22,518	91,702	10,330,724	7,665,125	42,960,689
1910	4,821	75,384	24,327	99,711	11,578,620	8,687,007	49,615,643
1911	5,039	82,083	26,541	108,624	12,510,600	10,047,662	54,346,011
1912	5,162	88,178	27,383	115,561	13,795,195	11,592,052	61,163,328
1913	5,346	93,036	27,364	120,400	14,861,676	12,683,384	65,672,495
1914-15	5,269	90,409	26,202	116,611	16,866,982	12,667,721	68,253,332
1915-16	5,210	87,724	28,677	116,401	18,211,104	13,413,845	70,989,864
*1916-17	5,356	88,910	29,087	117,997	20,364,122	14,381,309	85,944,320

* See also Table 49.

† Of this amount males received £12,727,172, and females £1,654,137.

No. 49.—Manufacturing Industries, 1916-17.

Class of Industry.	Establishments.	Persons Employed.			Salaries and Wages.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	256	3,558	101	3,659	456,731
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	38	1,027	274	1,301	150,175
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	278	5,235	86	5,321	668,512
Working in Wood ...	645	7,017	94	7,111	856,466
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	599	26,625	465	27,090	4,239,046
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	787	11,427	4,093	15,520	1,849,842
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,035	7,197	19,011	26,208	2,052,531
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	455	6,953	2,576	9,529	1,181,368
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	13	382	49	431	58,873
Arms and Explosives ...	5	1,350	4	1,354	239,492
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	434	3,983	154	4,137	462,983
Ship and Boat Building ...	35	4,165	20	4,185	674,056
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	253	3,105	531	3,636	392,566
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	113	1,053	759	1,812	196,135
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	17	106	41	147	17,336
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	52	599	90	689	89,171
Heat, Light, and Power ...	222	3,645	31	3,676	586,526
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	25	418	184	602	57,703
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	94	1,065	524	1,589	151,797
Total ...	5,356	88,910	29,087	117,997	14,381,309†

	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant,	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	437,304	6,439,773†	59,005	7,714,062	1,215,284
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	362,421	1,537,066	35,014	2,030,059	457,979
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	1,193,383	438,279	208,707	1,785,329	1,138,343
Working in Wood ...	847,592	2,212,511	28,792	3,549,616	1,308,313
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	5,660,149	13,377,135	567,186	21,420,189	7,475,868
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	3,846,352	23,058,427	272,132	28,047,685	4,717,126
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	628,999	4,381,167	54,874	7,800,275	3,364,234
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	1,281,310	1,532,211	41,586	3,504,378	1,930,581
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	14,511	100,471	851	192,585	91,263
Arms and Explosives ...	144,913	59,268	4,874	406,476	342,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	166,922	452,551	14,531	1,124,913	657,831
Ship and Boat Building ...	1,200,586	366,483	21,226	1,084,808	697,099
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	87,507	633,017	10,530	1,190,923	547,376
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	248,776	986,603	16,640	1,656,748	653,505
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	7,930	16,720	239	48,385	31,426
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	27,913	108,486	2,058	238,247	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power ...	4,084,161	763,953	419,850	3,219,135	2,035,332
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	13,780	217,608	1,135	326,008	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	109,613	362,938	7,434	604,499	234,127
Total ...	£20,364,122	57,044,667	1,766,664	85,944,320	27,132,989*

* If £385,064, the value of production of articles already included in primary industries, be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £26,747,925.

† Of this amount, males received £12,727,172, and females £1,654,137.

† Including value of wool treated.

No. 50.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901-1917.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1911.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-1917.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	649,759	747,916	929,520	1,215,284
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	266,094	293,626	380,501	457,979
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	422,272	1,083,972	1,324,104	1,234,212	1,138,343
Working in Wood	649,149	1,168,333	1,298,120	1,158,515	1,308,313
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	4,864,882	6,158,527	7,127,261	7,475,868
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,237,369	3,463,455	4,712,822	4,041,122	4,332,062
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	2,517,160	2,811,056	3,179,399	3,364,234
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	950,771	1,440,173	1,542,454	1,783,919	1,930,581
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	76,596	75,316	78,570	91,263
Arms and Explosives	1,480	2,531	108,322	293,368	342,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	607,307	633,981	668,784	657,831
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	370,490	768,398	590,082	697,099
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	220,434	510,082	558,196	544,313	547,376
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	74,006	400,454	488,592	555,464	653,505
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	19,172	18,576	23,104	31,426
Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Plated-ware ...	24,698	125,261	130,652	137,849	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	1,373,532	2,058,987	1,861,874	2,035,332
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	67,373	98,238	105,779	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	129,837	183,123	233,402	234,127
Total	£ 9,741,598	19,142,463	24,011,006	24,927,038	26,747,925

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 51.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891-1916-17.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral.	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1896	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,742	38,814
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,601	40,750
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,899	39,381
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,631	46,725
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,906	53,734
1907	22,281	6,588	10,295	3,567	1,708	1,382	45,821	13,481	59,302
1908	18,846	8,319	8,384	4,064	1,732	1,165	42,510	13,633	56,143
1909	19,040	10,908	7,403	3,983	1,990	1,096	44,420	14,536	58,956
1910	21,028	9,493	8,455	4,796	2,119	1,108	46,999	16,794	63,793
1911	19,434	9,749	9,410	5,215	2,055	1,195	47,058	19,143	66,201
1912	19,440	11,817	11,229	5,758	2,089	1,303	51,636	22,464	74,100
1913	20,738	12,378	11,651	5,455	2,416	1,400	54,038	23,482	77,520
1914-15	18,848	10,031	9,603	6,231	2,301	1,307	48,321	24,011	72,332
1915-16	21,576	20,362	10,516	5,473	3,215	1,370	62,512	24,927	87,439
1916-17	26,842	11,488	12,564	7,478	3,395	1,282	63,049	26,748	89,797

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

No. 52.—Education.

Year.	Public Schools.				Private Schools.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Expenditure by State on Education.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
				£			
1906 ...	2,885	5,758	207,298	881,581	852	3,557	58,707
1907 ...	2,918	5,918	209,229	922,295	806	3,524	57,440
1908 ...	3,002	6,012	214,495	1,085,020	792	3,501	57,111
1909 ...	3,075	6,176	213,739	1,109,939	789	3,633	58,361
1910 ...	3,105	6,262	214,776	1,191,713	774	3,602	59,247
1911 ...	3,125	6,517	221,810	1,242,576	756	3,659	60,963
1912 ...	3,234	7,048	228,529	1,589,986	754	3,673	61,744
1913 ...	3,285	7,261	241,784	1,686,155	733	3,593	64,591
1914 ...	3,258	7,404	252,697	1,721,441	717	3,674	64,577
1915 ...	3,254	7,890	258,017	1,686,882	718	3,682	64,863
1916 ...	3,188	7,830	264,713	1,860,518	701	3,678	67,704

No. 53.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters and Letter Cards carried.	Post Cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, Books, and Parcels carried.	Miles of Telegraph and Telephone Line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1906 ...	2,288	115,062,748	12,621,096	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506
1907 ...	2,319	122,130,948	15,097,710	48,340,646	37,191,554	15,910	4,894,283
1908 ...	2,368	134,684,520	14,969,312	50,461,252	38,330,311	16,338	5,149,763
1909 ...	2,397	139,058,694	12,511,546	56,002,764	38,849,363	17,087	5,177,962
1910 ...	2,437	151,315,512	12,438,544	66,965,559	40,609,036	17,615	5,607,178
1911 ...	2,490	*189,656,401		71,619,194	38,032,322	18,253	5,863,560
1912 ...	2,559	*192,996,376		68,696,648	34,755,556	18,268	6,364,990
1913 ...	2,596	*212,639,659		64,874,811	40,902,342	19,254	6,573,667
1914 ...	2,623	*217,907,644		66,216,699	36,576,538	20,828	6,703,019
1915-16 ...	2,640	*219,525,661		72,067,335	35,881,119	†	7,027,084
1916-17 ...	2,588	*259,185,729		68,546,782	31,136,805	†	7,152,913

* Includes all articles registered.

† Not available.

No. 54.—Prices of Food—Sydney.

Article.	Unit.	Average Retail Price in Sydney.									
		1917.		1918.						1917.	1916.
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	May.	May.	May.	May.
Bread	2-lb. loaf.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Flour	25-lb. bag.	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4
„ self-raising ...	2 lb.	3 6·2	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 3·7	3 6·7
Tea	lb.	0 6·2	0 6·4	0 6·4	0 6·6	0 6·6	0 6·6	0 6·6	0 6·6	0 5·9	0 6
Coffee and Chicory ...	„	1 6·2	1 6·2	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·2	1 6
Cocoa	„	1 6	1 6	1 6·2	1 6·2	1 6	1 6·2	1 6	1 6·2	1 6	1 6
Sugar (small quantities)	1 lb.	0 5·9	0 5·9	0 6	0 6·1	0 5·7	0 5·6	0 5·6	0 5·2	0 4·6	0 4·6
Rice	lb.	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5
Sago	„	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·3	0 3·2	0 3·2	0 3·2
Jam (Australian) ...	„	0 4·7	0 4·7	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·5	0 4·5	0 3·7	0 3·2	0 3·2
Oatmeal	„	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 6
Raisins	5 lb. bag.	1 1·4	1 1·4	1 1·4	1 2·3	1 5·6	1 5·7	1 5·7	1 1·4	1 1·4	1 1·4
Currants	lb.	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·9	0 7·9
Starch	„	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·9	0 8·9
Blue	„	0 7	0 7	0 6·7	0 6·7	0 6·9	0 6·9	0 6·8	0 5·9	0 5·9	0 5·9
Candles	doz. sqs.	0 10	0 10·5	0 10·5	1 0·9	1 5	1 5	0 9·4	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9·2
Soap	lb.	0 9·7	0 10	0 10·1	0 10·2	0 10·1	0 10·1	0 9	0 8·2	0 8·2	0 8·2
Potatoes	„	0 4·2	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 3·5	0 3·5
Onions	14 lb.	1 5·3	1 4·5	1 4·5	1 4·5	1 3	1 5	1 1·5	1 5	1 5	1 5
Kerosene	lb.	0 1·7	0 1·7	0 1·7	0 1·7	0 1·7	0 2·7	0 1·5	0 1	0 1	0 1
Milk	gallon.	2 0·3	2 0·3	2 0·3	2 1·2	2 3·3	2 3·3	1 9·9	1 7·4	1 7·4	1 7·4
Butter	quart.	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 5	0 5	0 5
Cheese (new & matured)	lb.	1 6·5	1 6·4	1 6·3	1 6·1	1 5·9	1 5·8	1 6·4	1 5	1 5	1 5
Eggs, new laid ...	„	1 0·5	0 11·8	0 11·7	0 11·7	1 0·1	1 1·6	1 0	0 10·1	0 10·1	0 10·1
„ fresh	doz.	1 4·5	1 7·8	1 11·2	2 4·2	2 9·7	2 10·4	2 9·7	2 11	2 11	2 11
Bacon (middle cut) ...	„	1 1·5	1 4·8	1 8·2	2 1·2	2 6·7	2 7·4	2 7	2 2·8	2 2·8	2 2·8
„ (shoulder) ...	lb.	1 4·2	1 4·1	1 4·4	1 5·1	1 5·1	1 4·9	1 4·7	1 5·1	1 5·1	1 5·1
Ham	„	0 11	0 11	0 11·2	0 11·8	0 11·8	0 11·4	1 0·2	1 1·1	1 1·1	1 1·1
Beef, fresh—Sirloin ...	„	1 6·1	1 6·1	1 6·2	1 6·6	1 6·6	1 6·4	1 5·6	1 5·9	1 5·9	1 5·9
„ Ribs	„	0 11	0 11·4	0 11·5	0 10·7	0 10·2	0 10·1	0 10·7	0 11	0 11	0 11
„ Gravy	„	0 9·5	0 9·9	0 10	0 9·6	0 9·2	0 9	0 9·2	0 9·7	0 9·7	0 9·7
Steak—Rump	„	0 8·5	0 8·9	0 9	0 8·4	0 8	0 7·8	0 7·5	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·7
„ Shoulder	„	1 3	1 3·5	1 3·5	1 3·1	1 3	1 3	1 1·7	1 2·2	1 2·2	1 2·2
Beef (corned round) ...	„	0 9	0 9·4	0 9·5	0 9·1	0 9	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·7	0 8·7	0 8·7
Mutton—Leg	„	0 9·2	0 9·6	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9	0 9·2	0 9·9	0 9·9	0 9·9
„ Shoulder	„	0 8·2	0 8·4	0 8·5	0 8	0 7·7	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·7
„ Loin	„	0 7	0 7·4	0 7·5	0 7	0 6·7	0 6·7	0 6·5	0 6·6	0 6·6	0 6·6
„ Neck	„	0 9·2	0 9·6	0 9·4	0 8·7	0 8·5	0 8·6	0 8·2	0 7·9	0 7·9	0 7·9
Chops—Loin	„	0 8·5	0 8·3	0 8	0 7·4	0 7	0 6·9	0 7·2	0 7·1	0 7·1	0 7·1
„ Leg	„	0 10	0 10·3	0 10	0 9·6	0 9·9	0 10	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9·2
„ Neck	„	0 9·9	0 9·8	0 9·5	0 8·9	0 8·5	0 8·6	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·5
Lamb—Forequarter ...	„	0 8	0 8·3	0 8	0 7·3	0 6·9	0 6·7	0 7·2	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·6
„ Hindquarter ...	„	0 8·5	0 9·1	0 9·2	0 8·7	0 8·2	0 8	0 8	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·7
Pork, fresh—Leg ...	„	0 9·5	0 10·3	0 10·5	0 10·1	0 10	0 10·1	0 9·5	0 8·7	0 8·7	0 8·7
„ Chops	„	1 1·5	1 1·5	1 2·5	1 1·7	1 0	1 0	0 11·5	1 0	1 0	1 0
„ Chops	„	1 4	1 4	1 4	1 3·5	1 3	1 3	1 3·2	1 0	1 0	1 0

NOTE.—The above averages are based on city prices; the suburban rates are higher. Prices of Groceries represent the predominant rates ruling about the 15th of each month.

No. 55.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The rates of wages shown below, with few exceptions, have been fixed by Wages Boards.

Bakers (bread)—68/- to 90/- per week; (apprentices), 10/- to 40/- per week; (biscuit factories), 62/6 to 67/6 per week.	Waiters, 27/6 to 51/6 per week.	} Hotel employees provided with board, or 14s. per week additional in lieu thereof.
Blacksmiths, 52/6 to 80/- per week.	Waitresses, 7/6 to 24/- per week.	
Boilermakers—1 1/4 to 1/6 per hour, 1d. per hour additional, dirt money.	Barmen, 41/6 per week.	
Bookbinders, 62/6 to 70/- per week.	Barmaids, 29/- per week.	
Boot & Shoe makers—Male, 1 1/4 per hr.; females, 31/- to 38/6 per week.	Storemen, 42/6 to 50/- per week.	
Brass Finishers, 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Kitchenmen, 41/6 to 45/- per week.	
Brassmoulders, 1/3 and 1 1/4 per hour.	Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	
Bread-carters (42 to 54 hours per week), min. 57/- to 75/-	Ironworkers, 1 1/2 to 1 6/12 per hour.	
Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, adult males, 41/- to 62/- per week; adult females, 20/- per week.	Jam Factory Workers—	
Bricklayers, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.	Males, adults, 54/- to 70/-; boys, 20/- to 36/- per week, or piece-work rates.	
Brick-carters, 1 horse, 55/6 per week; 2 horses, 60/- per week; 3 horses, 67/6; 4 horses, 75/-; 4/- per week extra for each additional horse.	Females, adults, 23/-; girls, 17/-; female fillers, 25/- and 33/- per week.	
Brickmakers—	Labourers—General, 1/-, 1 1/12, 1/3 to 1/9 per hour.	
Burners, 11/3 to 17/3 per shift; machine men, 1 1/2 to 1 5/8 per hr.; pitmen, 1/5 to 1/6 3/8 per hr.	Letter-press Machinists, min. 55/- to 65/- per wk.	
Brushmakers, 1/5 to 1/7 per hour, or 66j/- to 70/- per week, or piece-work rates.	Lithographers, min. 62/6 and 75/- per week.	
Butchers (city), without board, 60/- to 72/6	Malt-house Hands, 48/- to 60/- per week.	
" (country), 55/- to 72/6	Marble-workers, 1/5 1/2 to 1 7 1/2 per hour.	
Slaughtermen—Mutton 19/9 to 33/- per hundred; Beef, £5; Pork, £5 per week.	Masons and Stone-cutters, 1 7/4 to 1 9 1/4 per hour.	
Carpenters and Joiners, 1/8 to 1 9 1/2 per hour; bridge work, 1/8, 1 9 1/2, and 1/11 per hour.	Millers (Bread), 63/- to 83/6 per week; (Engineers), 10/- to 11/6 per day.	
Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")	Navvies, 8/- to 9/6 per day.	
Cabinetmakers, min. 67/-	Painters (General), 1/6 3/4 per hour.	
Chairmakers, min. 67/-	Patternmakers, 1/6 1/2 to 1/8 per hour.	
Cigarmakers, 2/6 to 7/6 per 100, acc'dg to shape.	Plasterers, 1/9 to 1/10 per hour.	
Clerks—Males, 63/-; females, 35/- per week.	Plumbers, Journeymen, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.	
" Junior (15 to 23 years)—Males, 9/6 to 64/-; females, 6/6 to 38/6 per week.	Quarrymen, 1/8 per hour.	
Coach-painters, 1/4 3/8 per hour.	Saw-mill Employees—Machinists, 61/6 to 75/-; Saw Sharpeners, 60/6 to 74/-; Sawyers, 60/6 to 72/- per week.	
Coachsmiths, 1/4 3/8 per hour.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan and Country)	
Coal-lumpers, 1 7 1/2 per hour, day work; 2/3 per hour, night work.	Males, 10/- to 65/-; Females, 7/6 to 43/9 per wk.	
Coke-lumpers, 1 7 1/2; night work, 2/3 per hour.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan Drapers, &c.), adults—Males, 57/- to 66/6 per week.	
Compositors (hand)—Journeymen, 73/6 per week.	Females, 27/6 to 38/6 per week.	
" " Piecework, 1 2 1/2 to 1 3 1/2 per 1,000 ens.	Slaters and Tilers, 1 7 1/2 to 1/9 per hour.	
Compositors (machine)—Linotype (newspapers), (piece rate) 3 3/4 d., (jobbing), 3 3/4 d. per 1,000 ens.	Stevedores—Foremen, £4 and £5 per week.	
" " Operators, 1/8 to 1/9 per hour.	Storemen, per week—Wharf, 61/6: Wool, 62/- to 70/6; Bonded Store, 60/-; Produce (Retail other than Grocery) Storemen, 54/- to 65/-; Packer, 54/- to 61/-; Grocery, 50/-; Hardware, 58/6 to 90/-; Packer, 60/-; Softgoods (Wholesale) Storemen, 58/6 to 88/6; Packer, 55/- to 90/-; Wine and Spirit Storemen, 56/6 to 68/6.	
Coopers (piecework, log rates), 1 1/4 to 1 6 1/2 per hr.	Tailors—Journeymen, 60/- to 67/6 per week, or log rates.	
Coppersmiths, 1/6 to 1/8 per hour.	" Cutters & Trimmers, 57/6 to 85/- per wk.	
Dockers and Painters, 1/3 to 1/8 per hour; overtime, time and half.	" Pressers, 54/- to 65/- per week.	
Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	" Piece-work—log rates.	
Electricians—Mechanics, 1/3 1/2 to 1 8 1/2 per hour.	Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 30/- to 40/- per wk.	
Fitters, 1 8 1/2 per hour.	" (trousers hands), order, 25/- to 34/- p. wk.	
Engine-drivers (staty., &c.), 1 0 1/2 to 1 9 3/8 per hour.	" Ready-made clothing for men—	
Firemen " 1 0 1/2, 1 2 1/2, and 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on coats, 32/6 p. wk.	
Farriers—Firemen, 1 5 1/2 to 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on trousers and vests, 28/- per week.	
" Floormen, 1 4 1/2 to 1 5 1/2 "	" Piece-work—log rates.	
French-polishers, 67/- per week.	Textile Workers—Males, 52/6; fem., 26/- per w'k.	
Glass-workers, 1 3 1/2 to 1/7 per hour.	Tinsmiths, 1 0 1/2 to 1 4 1/2 per hour.	
Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/2 per hour.	Trolly and Draymen—Coal Carters—1 horse, 52/- to 59/- per week; 2 horses, 55/- to 64/- per week; 3/- per week for each extra horse.	
Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	Timber-carters, 1 horse, 60/6; 2 horses, 65/6; 3 horses, 69/-; 4 horses, 72/6 per week.	
Hairdressers (52 hours per week), 58/- to 68/-	Casual Drivers—1 horse, 11/1 per day, with 1/- per day extra for each additional horse.	
Hotel, Club, Restaurant, & Tea Room Employees—	Tip-carters, 1 horse, 60/- to 62/6; 2 horses, 65/- to 67/6 per week; 8d. per day extra for each additional horse.	
Cooks (male), 44/3 to 100/- per week.	Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.	
Cooks (female), 20/- to 3-fifths rate for males, per week.	Upholsterers, 67/- to 73/- per week.	
	Wharf Labourers—Casual employees, 1/9 per hour; constant or weekly hands, 3/16 per week.	
	Wheelwrights, 1/3 per hour.	

No. 55.—Current Rates of Wages—*continued.**Coal Miners.*

The employees in the Coal-mines in New South Wales work under Agreements or Awards. The rate paid to miners varies according to the selling price of coal per ton ruling at the time, and also according to the conditions of the seams or places where the coal is mined.

Coal-mines, Northern District—

Miners, $3\frac{5}{8}$ to $5\frac{1}{10}$ per ton.
 „ coal-cutting machines, 13/2 to 15/6 per day
 „ „ 10/11 per day.
 Deputies, 16/- to 16/6 per day.
 Shot-firers, 14/11 to 15/6 per day.
 Waste-examiners, 14/11 to 15/6 per day.
 Engine-drivers—
 Winding and loco. engines, 14/5 per day.
 Other engines, 12/- to 14/5 per day.
 Shiftmen, 10/11 to 15/6 per day.
 Wheelers, 10/6 to 11/8 per day.
 Flatters, 10/11 per day.
 Water-bailers, 10/11 per day.
 Hand-pumpers, 10/11 per day.
 Set riders, 13/2 per day.
 Rolleyway men, 10/11 to 13/2 per day.
 Roadlayers, 11/4 to 13/2 per day.
 Waggon packers, 10/11 per day.
 Banksmen, 12/7 per day.
 Shunters, 10/11 per day.
 Screenmen, 10/11 per day.
 Labourers, 10/11 to 11/5 per day.
 Boys and Youths, 4/4 to 10/4 per day.

Coal-mines, Southern District—

Miners, $2\frac{9}{8}$ per ton.
 Overmen (underground), £5 to £6 10s. per week.
 Deputy Overmen, £4 17s. 6d. per week.
 Shotfirers, 15s. per day.
 Shiftmen, 14/1 per day.
 Onsetters, 12/6 per day.
 Banksmen, 12/2½ per day.
 Screenmen, 10/11 per day.
 Mechanics, 12/7½ to 15/4 per day.
 Engineers, 12/6 to 16/8 per day.
 Engine-drivers—Winding, 14/5 per day.
 „ Haulage, 13/2 per day.
 Stokers and firemen, 10/11 to 12/- per day.
 Locomotive engine-drivers, 14/5 per day.
 „ „ stokers, 12/- per day.
 Platelayers, 10/11 per day.
 Furnaceman, 10/11 per day.
 Harness-makers, 11/6 per day.
 Wheelers, 12/- per day.
 Water-bailers, 12/- per day.
 Stablemen, 10/11 per day.
 Labourers, 10/11 per day.
 Flatters, 12/- per day.
 Trappers, 4/4 per day.
 Boys, 5/4 per day.

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £14 to £20; 2nd, £13 to £17; 3rd, £12/10/- to £13.	Engineers, chief, £18 to £39/2/-; 2nd, £17/10/- to £25/6/-; 3rd, £15/10/- to £20/14/-
Firemen, £10 to £11/10/-	Able Seamen, £8 to £9/5/-
Trimmers, £8 to £9/5/-	„ „ (sailing ships), £5 to £6.

State (New South Wales) Steamers (per month).

Officers, Chief, £13 to £18; 2nd, £11 to £15.	Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7 to £9/14/-
Engineers, £16/2/- to £39/2/- per month.	„ „ „ (sailing ship), £5
Firemen, £7 to £10/10/-	to £6.
Donkeymen, £10 to £11.	

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 20/- to 25/-	Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-
Bullock Drivers, 25/- to 35/-	Married Couples—
Bush Carpenters, 30/- to 35/-	When wife cooks, £104 to £110.
Cooks (station), 25/- to 35/-	Rouseabouts, 20/- to 30/-
Country Blacksmiths—	Orchard Hands, 20/- to 30/-
Station, 35/-	Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-	Stockmen, £52 to £65.
Milkers, 20/- to 30/-	Useful Boys, 15/- to 20/- (age 15 to 18).
Farm Labourers, 25/- to 30/-	Vignerons, £52 to £55.
Harvest Hands, acedg. to experience, 7/- to 12/- per day.	

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—	General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards), 12/6 to 28/6
Station, 20/- to 25/-	Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 10/- to 15/-
Private house, 20/- to 25/-	Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 8/- to 12/6.
Boarding-house, 25/- to 35/-	Gardeners, 25/- to 30/-
Cook and Laundress, 20/- to 25/-	Grooms and Coachmen, 20/- to 30/-
House and Parlour Maid, 15/- to 23/-	

No. 56.—Meteorology.

District.	May, 1918.					May — (Mean, 1908-1917).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
Grafton ...	62·3	74·7	50·0	2·18	9	62·4	1·85	6	67·5	34·38
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton...	...	...	...	·11	3	56·9	2·19	6	64·1	29·11
Cumberland—										
Sydney ...	61·2	69·8	52·5	·53	7	58·7	4·04	11	63·0	48·08
South Coast—										
Bega ...	54·5	70·4	38·6	·49	2	54·2	2·26	5	60·5	32·92
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale ...	49·2	60·4	38·1	·27	5	49·9	1·44	5	56·3	31·92
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst...	50·5	63·5	37·6	·80	8	49·9	1·50	6	57·2	23·75
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn ...	49·9	59·7	40·1	·73	9	49·3	1·42	8	56·1	24·96
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah ...	56·5	69·3	43·7	·38	4	57·0	1·17	4	65·4	24·42
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo ...	56·3	68·0	44·6	·58	4	55·3	1·50	6	63·5	22·37
South-western Slope—										
Wagga ...	51·2	65·2	37·2	1·35	8	52·8	1·78	8	62·1	21·35
North-western Plain—										
Moree ...	59·0	72·4	45·7	·62	4	59·7	1·64	3	67·3	23·46
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble ...	59·0	71·1	46·9	·98	6	57·2	1·24	4	65·9	19·60
Riverina—										
Deniliquin ...	55·8	64·9	46·8	4·86	7	53·6	1·69	7	61·7	16·08

No. 57.—New Buildings erected in Metropolis—Annual.

Year.	Returns of Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Municipal Returns.			
	Buildings erected and assessed.	Cost of Buildings, including additions to old Buildings.	Buildings for which permission to build was granted.	Estimated Cost of New Buildings.	Estimated Cost of Alter- ations and Additions.	Total Cost, Buildings, Alterations, and Additions.
		£		£	£	£
1912 ...	7,773	5,069,000	8,339	4,988,000	636,000	5,624,000
1913 ...	7,853	5,917,000	9,342	6,512,000	815,000	7,327,000
1914 ...	8,831	6,162,000	8,548	5,236,000	586,000	5,822,000
1915 ...	6,141	4,664,000	6,066	3,850,000	548,000	4,398,000
1916 ...	5,043	4,037,000	5,051	3,395,000	519,000	3,914,000
1917 ...	4,331	3,184,000	4,811	3,150,000	341,000	3,491,000

No. 58.—New Buildings—Metropolis—Monthly.

Month.	1918.			1917.		
	City.	Suburbs.		City.	Suburbs.	
		No.	Value.		No.	Value.
			£			£
January ...	7	377	229,700	3	366	195,596
February ...	6	360	230,199	13	398	212,773
March ...	4	449	280,501	12	520	297,607
April ...	7	359	213,974	4	427	269,157
May ...	6	476	318,857	11	444	316,103
Total (five months)	30	2,021	1,273,231	43	2,155	1,291,236

No. 59.—New Buildings—Metropolis—each Municipality.

NUMBER and Value of New Buildings and of Alterations and Additions in each Municipality during the five months, January to May.

Municipality.	Estimated Population 31st December 1917.	New Buildings (to erect which permission granted)				Alterations and Additions.			
		1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
		No.	Value.	No.	Value	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
City of Sydney ...	106,000	30	£ x	43	£ x	207	£ x	213	£ x
Alexandria ...	11,450	6	13,120	5	3,590	17	2,375	30	1,620
Annandale ...	12,480	6	3,040	7	2,805	6	505	5	125
Ashfield ...	28,440	115	72,941	140	93,663	82	3,779	61	2,866
Balmain ...	33,380	6	3,600	13	12,935	15	779	35	1,494
Bexley ...	11,100	55	28,105	80	37,785	17	1,370	20	825
Botany ...	5,750	7	10,850	18	9,535	28	3,096	32	2,431
Burwood ...	12,990	69	44,446	41	26,500	39	3,106	33	1,990
Canterbury ...	26,580	226	112,378	192	78,085	80	4,976	88	5,997
Concord ...	6,820	82	47,021	49	31,611	42	1,690	55	3,350
Darlington ...	3,840	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	2	305	1	20
Drummoyne ...	13,990	50	32,870	78	46,455	23	1,850	13	690
Eastwood ...	1,480	7	3,800	12	4,770	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Enfield ...	5,980	22	13,331	51	20,456	29	1,060	19	234
Erskineville ...	7,670	1	150	3	1,350	4	440	4	90
Glebe ...	22,710	7	798	8	5,290	4	318	10	795
Homebush ...	1,120	4	2,250	23	11,035	3	95	3	130
Hunter's Hill ...	5,890	16	9,440	14	8,150	11	1,145	6	390
Hurstville ...	10,920	59	25,543	57	24,567	33	2,551	40	1,490
Kogarah ...	13,050	91	46,670	85	32,747	43	3,232	43	2,974
Lane Cove ...	5,160	29	18,943	36	21,345	20	3,338	19	1,760
Leichhardt ...	27,980	42	22,716	37	14,215	55	4,561	47	2,609
Manly ...	14,110	38	31,975	39	35,960	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Marrickville ...	37,810	62	32,395	47	27,180	40	2,845	25	2,411
Mascot ...	8,920	17	16,205	18	8,040	15	1,138	36	1,635
Mosman ...	17,260	44	38,795	40	29,475	24	7,640	11	1,400
Newtown ...	27,890	7	4,800	11	6,790	26	3,166	22	3,113
North Sydney ...	41,330	62	51,555	71	52,824	83	10,296	68	8,482
Paddington ...	25,880	7	4,750	3	8,223	13	2,049	11	714
Petersham ...	23,980	36	17,765	19	12,545	16	2,743	21	1,451
Randwick ...	34,200	221	142,341	256	180,936	68	9,833	71	9,716
Redfern ...	25,020	1	550	3	1,150	11	780	12	2,590
Rockdale ...	20,440	82	39,061	90	40,842	51	1,359	52	1,282
Ryde ...	9,870	76	40,488	86	39,168	15	3,942	21	918
St. Peters ...	10,730	10	3,820	16	6,725	14	684	14	443
Strathfield ...	5,760	16	11,880	30	16,078	16	3,823	21	3,568
Vaucluse ...	2,640	19	21,458	19	18,349	9	1,232	14	1,366
Waterloo ...	11,220	22	47,747	7	55,125	12	820	19	1,649
Waverley ...	28,390	129	68,554	164	86,058	33	6,891	26	5,009
Willoughby ...	21,550	111	69,225	128	71,825	23	2,150	37	2,204
Woollahra ...	20,700	69	69,755	70	59,609	65	14,200	61	7,583
Ku-ring-gai Shire ...	14,820	92	48,100	89	47,445	79	4,570	82	5,225
Total Suburbs ...	671,300	2,021	1,273,231	2,155	1,291,236	1,166	126,732	1,188	92,639
Total City of Sydney	106,000	30	x	43	x	207	x	213	x
Grand Total ...	777,300	2,051	x	2,198	x	1,373	x	1,401	x

x Information is not available.

During the month of May, 1918, the number of new buildings erected was 482, viz., 6 in the City and 476 in the Suburbs. The largest numbers were:—Canterbury and Randwick, 44 each; Waverley, 39; Willoughby and Woollahra, 27 each; Ku-ring-gai Shire, 24; Ashfield, Kogarah and Ryde, 23 each; and Rockdale, 22.

No. 60.—Crown Lands Selections, 1918.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected, and (second) the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of May, 1918, and during the period from 1st January to 31st May, 1918:—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE CROWN LANDS ACT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS.

Description of Holding.	During May, 1918.		1st January to 31st May, 1918.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	8	845	63	10,412
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(2)	440	(14)	3,546
Crown Leases—ordinary	30	46,302	140	173,871
" " for returned soldiers	8	33,623	8	33,623
Homestead Farms—ordinary	6	2,118	21	11,231
" " for returned soldiers	25	32,856	39	48,566
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	9	323	72	1,767
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts) .. .. .	...	...	1	1
Irrigation Farms .. .. .	...	...	4	58
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area	3	1	5	2
Week-end Leases .. .. .	...	...	8	78
Leases of Town Lands .. .. .	...	...	1	2
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	4	129	12	224
Homestead Selections .. .. .	...	...	1	21
Special Conditional Purchase Lease .. .. .	...	...	1	320
Total	93	116,637	376	283,722
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases (Crown Lands)	37	5,086	101	15,300
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	1	95
Conditional Leases not applied for simultaneously with O.C. Purchases	28	7,476	72	21,335
Additional Homestead Selections	1	340	8	8,109
" Settlement Leases .. .. .	...	...	2	3,010
" Crown Leases	1	1,000	8	13,748
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	...	...
" Homestead Farms	2	1,174	15	11,208
" " for returned soldiers	1	100	5	1,131
" Suburban Holdings	1	5	3	20
" " for returned soldiers	2	5	2	5
Total	73	15,186	217	73,961
AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.				
Description of Holding.	During May, 1918.		1st January to 31st May, 1918.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Crown Leases—ordinary	24	9,760	151	202,240
" " for returned soldiers	6	15,989	10	39,393
Homestead Farms—ordinary	5	3,590	12	6,621
" " for returned soldiers	3	5,551	40	77,158
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	3	65	71	3,206
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	62	2,578	64	2,613
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts) .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Irrigation Farms .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Leases of Town Lands .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Week-end Leases .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Homestead Selection .. .. .	...	...	...	...
Original Conditional Purchase .. .. .	...	...	2	115
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof	2	431	4	614
Total	105	37,964	354	328,870
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Every Class of Additional Holdings	28	13,391	197	108,231
Additional Conditional Purchase	1	262	5	620
" Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease	2	505	6	824
" " " " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	1	96
" Homestead Selections .. .. .	...	...	9	5,108
" Settlement Lease .. .. .	...	...	...	...
" Suburban Holdings .. .. .	...	...	4	91
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	5	15
" Crown Leases	1	80	5	8,884
" Homestead Farms	1	233	23	19,694
" " for returned soldiers .. .. .	...	...	5	1,036
Total	33	14,471	260	144,599

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Flour (wholesale)† ...	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	Ton ...	150 lb. bag, £11; 100 lb. bag, £11 5s.; 50 lb. bag, £11 12s. 6d.; 25 lb. bag, £12 6s. 8d.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	Bag ...	150 lb., 18s. 10d.; 100 lb., 12s. 11d.; 50 lb., 6s. 11½d.; 25 lb., 3s. 8d.; 1 lb., 1½d.
„ (wholesale) ...	„	Remainder of State	Ton ...	From £10 15s. to £12 4s. 2d.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	Bag ...	„ 18s. 10d. to 1½d. } According to locality and size of bag.
„ (wholesale) ...	„	N.S.W. ...	Bag, booked.	Above prices, plus 8d., 6d., 4d., 2d.
Bread† ...	7-12-17	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	2-lb. loaf ...	3½d. over counter, cash within week; 4d. delivered, cash within week.
„ ...	„	Remainder of State	„ „	Prices according to locality, but mostly same as above.
„ ...	„	N.S.W. ...	„ „	Booked, above prices plus ½d.
Confectionery ...	15-8-17	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	Same as on 10-8-17.
Biscuits ...	10-6-18	Co. Cumberland ...	.....	Tins and packages, 20% on cost to retailer.
„ ...	„	Remainder of State	.....	Loose, purchase price plus 25%. Above prices, plus transport.
Oatmeal (wholesale)...	17-5-18	Sydney ...	cwt. ...	Plain, in 56 lb. bags, 26s. 9d.; in 7 lb. bags, 29s. 9d.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	lb. ...	Plain, lb. 3½d.; 7 lb. bag, 2s. 3d.
Wheatmeal(wholesale)	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	cwt. ...	14s. to 16s. 6d., according to size of bags or sacks. Various brands excepted.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	Package ...	6d. to 24s. 7d., according to size.
„ ...	„	Other places	.....	Above prices, plus carriage.
Semolina (wholesale)	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	cwt. ...	15s. 8d. to 18s. 2d., according to size of bags.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	Package ...	In 1 lb. tins, £1 15s. 7d. to 27s. 6d.; in 1 lb. tins, 4½d.
„ ...	„	Other places	.....	Above prices, plus carriage.
„ (at Mill) ...	15-2-18	All areas ...	.....	£1 per ton above the price of flour.
Butter (wholesale)† ...	31-5-18	Sydney ...	cwt. ...	First grade, 158s. 8d.; second grade, 149s. 4d.; third grade, 140s.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	lb. ...	First grade, 1s. 7d.; second grade, 1s. 6d.; third grade, 1s. 5d.
„ „	„	At butter factories	.....	Above prices for local trade.
„ „	„	Other places	lb. ...	Above prices, plus cost of transport; booked, plus ½d.; delivered, another ½d.; ½d. per lb. additional if branded in prints, &c.
Cheese (wholesale)† ...	11-5-18	Sydney ...	lb. (new) ...	Large and Medium, red.; Loaf, 10½d.
„ „	„	„	„	Stored 3 months, above prices plus 2d.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	„	Above prices, plus 3d.
„ ...	„	At factory ...	„	Above prices, less carriage to Sydney.
„ ...	„	Other places	„	Price at place of purchase, plus carriage.
Hams (wholesale)† ...	17-5-18	Co. of Cumberland	„	Cloth, 1s. 3½d.; seed, 1s. 4½d.; Australian and New Zealand. Retail, 1s. 7d. and 1s. 7½d.
Bacon† „	„	„	„	Sides, 1s. 0d.; Flitches, 11½d.; Middles, 1s. 2d. Shoulders, 10d.; Australian and New Zealand.
„ (retail) ...	„	„	„	1s. 3d., 1s. 2½d., 1s. 5d., 1s. 1d. In rashers, above prices plus ½d.
Hams & Bacon...	„	Other places	„	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Milk (retail)† ...	11-5-18	Co. Cumberland ...	.....	Quart, 6d.
„ „	„	Newcastle ...	.....	Quart, 5½d.
„ (for re-sale) ...	„	Co. Cumberland ...	Gallon ...	1s. 8d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
„ „	„	Newcastle ...	„	1s. 7d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
Cream ...	29-5-15	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	For other purposes than butter-making, or consumption in N.S.W. The butter value, less 3d. per lb., and less cost of carriage to nearest factory.

† See note on page 46.

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W.—continued.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Cream (Nestlé's) ...	16-4-18	Sydney ...	Tin (4 oz.) ...	Wholesale, 33s. 6d. per dozen; retail 10d. Other sizes in proportion.
Tobacco ...	16-4-18	N.S.W. ...	.....	Same as on 1-3-18.
Condensed Milk ...	4-8-16	Sydney and New-castle.	Tin (large)...	From 7d. to 9d., according to brand.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" ("Milkmaid") ...	"	Sydney and New-castle.	Tin ...	Coffee and Milk, 1s. 9d.; Chocolate and Milk, 1s. 6d.; Cocoa and Milk, 1s. 3d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Sugar 1A. (wholesale) ...	19-1-16	Metropolitan ...	Ton ...	£29 5s.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	£29 5s., plus actual freight.
" (retail) ...	"	Metropolitan ...	lb. ...	3½d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	3½d., plus actual freight.
Jam (wholesale) ...	23-5-18	Co. Cumberland ...	Doz. tins ...	13 to 15 oz. tins, 4s. 9d. to 8s.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	lb. ...	Bulk, 4½d. to 5½d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	.....	Above prices plus 20 per cent. Above prices plus carriage.
Infants' and Invalids' Foods (imported).	9-6-17	Sydney ...	.....	Wholesale, landed cost, plus 10 per cent.; retail, wholesale prices, plus 20 per cent.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	.....	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Plum Puddings† (wholesale).	23-10-16	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	lb. ...	1 lb. tin, 1s. 1½d.; other sizes, 1s. 1d.
" " (retail)	"	" " "	" ...	1 lb. tin, 1s. 4d.; other sizes, 1s. 3½d.
" " ...	"	Rest of State	.....	Above prices, plus cost of carriage.
Rice (wholesale) ...	25-4-18	Sydney ...	Ton ...	In 56 lb. bags, £23 10s.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	lb. ...	3½d.; single lb., 3½d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	.....	Prices at place of purchase, plus transport.
Rabbits, cleaned but unskinned (see note)	17-3-17	Sydney ...	Pair, over 4 lb.	1s. 6d. at shop or cart.
" " "	"	" ...	Pair, 3 lb. to 4 lb.	1s. 1d. in markets.
" " "	"	" ...	"	1s. 4d. at shop or cart.
" " "	"	" ...	"	1d. in markets.
Rabbits (frozen) ...	25-10-17	Sydney ...	Doz. prs. ...	17s. 6d. cleaned, unskinned. Over 4 lb. pair.
" " ...	"	" ...	Each... ..	11d.; pair, 1s. 10d. retail.
Caustic Soda ...	3-4-18	Sydney ...	.....	To retailer, 10% on cost; to consumer, 20% on cost.
Baking Powder, free from ammonia, phosphates, and sulphates	12-11-17	Sydney and New-castle.	Ounce, net ...	Wholesale, in containers 8 oz. or less, 1½d., larger sizes, 1½d.
Other kinds ...	"	" " "	Doz. tins ...	Retail, above prices, plus 20 per cent.
" " ...	"	" " "	" ...	Wholesale, from 7s. to 16s. 8d., various sizes.
All kinds ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Retail, above price, plus 20 per cent. Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Bran† (wholesale) ...	15-11-17	N.S.W. ...	Ton ...	Cash, £4; booked, £4 2s. 6d.
" (retail) ...	19-11-17	" ...	Bushel ...	Millers' prices, plus 1½d. to 3d.
Pollard† (wholesale) ...	15-10-17	" ...	Ton ...	Cash, £5 10s.; booked, £5 12s. 6d.
" (retail) ...	19-11-17	" ...	Bushel ...	Millers' prices, plus 1½d. to 3d.
Chaff, Lucerne ...	10-3-16	Co. Cumberland ...	Ton ...	On rail, £7 10s.; ex store, £8 1s.; elsewhere, £7 10s.*
" " ...	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	On rail, £7 11s.; ex store, £7 16s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 11s.*
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	On rail, £6 10s.; ex store, £7; elsewhere, £6 10s.*
Hay, Lucerne ...	"	Co. Cumberland ...	" ...	On wharf, £6 4s., plus freight.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	At railway ex truck, £6 17s. 6d.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	Ex store on dray, £7 8s., plus carriage.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	Other places, £6 17s. 6d.*
" " ...	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	Ex store on dray, £7 3s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 3s. 6d.*
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	On farm in stack, £5; in bales, £5 12s. 6d.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	On rail or steamer, £5 17s. 6d.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	Ex store on dray, £6 7s. 6d., plus carriage.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	Elsewhere, £5 17s. 6d.*
Chaff and Hay (retail)	"	N.S.W. ...	Under 1 ton	Wholesale prices, plus 10 per cent.

† See note on page 46.

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W.—*continued.*

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Oil—				
Kerosene—				
Companies' price ...	26-3-18	Sydney ...	8½ gal. ...	14s. 6d.
Distributors' " ...	"	"	"	15s. 8d., 2½ per cent. disc., 30 days.
Retail ...	"	"	Tin, 4½ gal. ...	9s.; quart, 7d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Benzine (wholesale) ...	10-6-18	Sydney ...	8 gal. ...	23s. 8d.
" (retail) ...	"	"	8 " ...	25s. 11d.; per tin of 4 gals., 13s.; under 4 gals., 3s. 4d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Cocoa (retail) ...	25-5-17	Sydney ...	Pkts. ...	From 6d. to 11d. } Other sizes in proportion.
"	"	"	½ lb. tin ...	From 9d. to 1s. 2d. }
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
" (Van Houten's) ...	27-2-18	Sydney ...	"	Wholesale 10%, retail 20%, on landed cost.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
" (Bensdorp's, R.D.) ...	5-2-18	Sydney ...	½ lb. tin ...	Wholesale, 12s. 3d. doz.; retail, 1s. 3d. tin.
"	"	"	½ lb. tin ...	23s. doz.; retail, 2s. 4d. tin.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Gas " " " ...	24-1-18	Sydney and North Sydney.	1,000 cub. ft.	4s. 1½d.
"	22-2-17	Mainly	"	4s. 10½d.
Tin Plates ...	6-12-16	N.S.W. ...	Box, 20" x 14"	£1 15s. at ports; elsewhere add cost of transport.
Glaxo and Lactogen ...	15-2-17	Sydney ...	Doz. tins ...	Wholesale, 15s. 6d., 25s. 9d., and 62s.
"	"	"	Tin ...	Retail, 1s. 6d., 2s. 6d., and 6s.
Hides (best salted) ...	2-5-18	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	25-42 lb., 11d.; to others, 10½d.
" (dry) ...	"	"	"	1s. 1d.
Sulphate of Ammonia ...	24-1-18	"	Ton ...	£18. In single bags on buyer's lorries at works.
"	"	"	Ton or less ...	£20, retail, at works or store.
Salt " " " ...	21-12-17	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland	cwt. ...	Wholesale, 10s.; retail, 2d. lb. South African excluded.
"	"	Remainder of State	Ton ...	K. M. C., South African, £12.
White Lead ...	3-4-18	N.S.W. ...	Ton (in 1 cwt. containers).	Importer's, £82; Wholesale, £83; Retail, £4 17s. per cwt., 1s. per lb.
"	"	"	Each	Case and 2 tins, 1s.; case, 6d.; tin, 3d.
Cases and Tins (Oil), 2nd-hand, to dealers, " " to others.	3-4-18	"	"	" 1s. 4d.; " 8d.; " 4d.
Scrap Tin ...	5-10-17	"	Ton ...	£30, at seller's door.
Soda Ash ...	31-10-17	"	"	Landed cost at port of entry, plus £2.
Bicarbonate of Soda ...	3-4-18	Sydney ...	"	Importer to wholesaler 2½%, to retailer 10% on landed cost.
"	"	"	"	Wholesaler to retailer, 10% on cost.
" (retail) ...	"	"	"	20% on cost to retailer.
Broken Glass ...	3-4-18	N.S.W. ...	Ton ...	Plate and window, £2 10s.; other, £2.
Matches—wooden ...	13-6-18	Sydney ...	Gross	Manufacturers' price, 4s. 6d.; wholesalers', 5s.
" (retail) ...	"	"	"	Doz. 6½d., or 2 boxes for 1½d.
"	"	Other places	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Linseed Oil ...	10-6-18	N.S.W. ...	"	Same as on 3rd June, 1918.
Bran bags and Corn sacks.	4-6-18	"	Doz. ...	To buyers and sellers, 6s.; to those who buy, sell and repair, 6s. 6d.; to others, 8s.
Vinegar (wholesale) made in N.S.W.	31-5-18	Co. Cumberland ...	Gal. ...	Pints, loose, 3s.; in case, 3s. 6d.; other sizes <i>pro rata</i> .
"	"	"	"	Quarts, loose, 2s. 3d.; in cases, 2s. 7½d.; other sizes <i>pro rata</i> .
"	"	"	"	In containers, 10 gal., 6d.; less than 10 gal., 7½d.
" (retail) ...	"	"	Pint ...	3½d. to 6d.; in customers' container, 3½d. qt.
Olive Oil ...	22-5-18	N.S.W. ...	"	Same as on 18th May, 1918.

* Less carriage to nearest rail.

† Since 6th July, 1916, the Minister of Defence has fixed the prices of commodities under the War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916. Up to the present he has made orders in respect of Bread, Flour, Bran, Pollard, Soap, Butter, Milk, Plum Puddings, Cheese, Bacon, Hams, Glaxo, Lactogen, Rabbits, Oil, Cream, Cocoa, Infants and Invalids' Food, Biscuits, Confectionery, Hides, Sulphate of Ammonia, Galvanized Iron, White Lead, second-hand Oil Cases and Tins, Semolina, Wheatmeal, Soda Ash, Tin, Salt, Bi-carbonate of Soda, Broken Glass, Glass Bottles, Canned Fruit, Caustic Soda, Tobacco, Matches, Rice, Oatmeal, Bags (2nd hand), Linseed Oil, Olive Oil, Vinegar, Jam. The prices of all other commodities in the above table remain as fixed by the N.S.W. Necessary Commodities Control Commission, the Minister having adopted those prices when the Commonwealth Government assumed the control of prices under the War Precautions Act. The price of Tallow was fixed at £30 a ton on 5th March, 1917, as from 12th idem, but the proclamation was annulled on 8th idem.

Dates of previous Commonwealth proclamations—

Bread—8-7-16, 10-7-16, 11-8-16, 17-10-16, 25-10-16, 11-1-17, 5-3-17, 5-4-17, 26-4-17, 17-5-17, 30-6-17.
 Flour, Bran, and Pollard—6-7-16, 22-7-16, 7-8-16, 9-8-16, 27-9-16, 15-2-17, 17-5-17, 22-5-17, 19-11-17 (Flour only).
 Butter—21-9-16, 23-10-16, 6-6-17, 7-9-17, 17-9-17, 11-10-17, 25-10-17, 22-5-18. Milk—27-9-16, 25-10-16, 31-5-17, 19-10-17. Plum Puddings—27-9-16. Cheese—5-10-16, 25-10-16, 28-5-17, 12-6-17, 6-12-17, 18-1-18. Soap—31-8-16, 12-12-16, 9-2-17, annulled 5-4-17. Rice—10-1-16, 9-6-17. Oil—17-7-16, 10-5-17, 22-8-17, 19-1-18 (Benzine), 19-1-18. Hides—16-8-17, 15-10-17. Galvanized Iron—8-8-17, 25-8-17, repealed 30-10-17. Cases—10-10-17, 25-10-17, 31-10-17. White Lead—10-10-17, 12-11-17. Baking Powder—17-7-16. Sulphate of Ammonia—17-9-17, 31-12-17. Bacon and Hams—23-10-16, 25-2-18. Wheatmeal—12-11-17. Semolina—19-11-17. Gas—22-2-17. Bicarbonate of Soda—12-1-18. Cream (Nestlé's)—8-6-17. Broken Glass—8-2-18. Biscuits—15-8-17, 11-5-18. Matches—7-5-18.

NOTE.—On the outbreak of the Railway and Tramway strike in August, 1917, the N.S.W. Commission met, after thirteen months' inactivity, and declared the maximum prices of all foodstuffs to be those ruling on 1st August, 1917. As the strike extended, prices were gazetted for the following commodities:—Meat, 17-8-17; Salt, 31-8-17 and 12-10-17; Rabbits, Meat, and Coal, 5-9-17; Methylated Spirits, 9-8-17, 26-9-17, 12-10-17; Cheese, 26-9-17. The proclamation regarding Meat was annulled on 26-10-17, and those of other commodities on 14-11-17.

No. 62.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1916-17.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916-17.
Area, 809,460 square miles.							
Population.							
31st December ... persons	357,978	517,758	782,080	1,162,190	1,376,199	1,698,736	1,857,920
Births ... No.	14,681	20,143	28,993	39,458	37,875	47,077	52,467
" " " " " rate	41'56	39'64	37'90	34'55	27'71	28'64	...
Deaths ... No.	5,343	6,407	11,536	16,286	16,021	17,179	17,969
" " " " " rate	15'12	12'61	15'08	14'26	11'72	10'32	...
Marriages ... No.	3,222	3,953	6,284	8,457	10,538	15,267	13,261
" " " " " rate	9'12	7'78	8'21	7'41	7'71	9'17	...
Agriculture.							
Total area under crop... acres	295,917	393,413	583,868	846,383	2,276,528	3,629,170	5,163,030
Wheat—Area ... "	123,468	154,030	221,887	356,666	1,392,070	2,380,710	3,806,604
Yield... bshl.	1,606,034	2,229,642	3,405,966	3,903,668	14,808,705	25,088,102	36,598,000
Average ... "	13'0	14'5	15'4	11'1	10'6	10'5	9'6
Maize—Area ... acres	57,959	119,956	117,478	174,577	167,333	167,781	155,378
Yield... bshl.	1,727,434	4,015,973	4,330,956	5,721,706	3,844,993	4,507,342	4,333,480
Average ... "	29'8	33'5	36'9	32'8	22'9	26'9	27'9
Hay—Area ... acres	45,175	51,805	146,610	163,863	442,163	654,149	858,532
Yield... tons	57,363	77,460	198,532	209,417	472,621	728,474	1,174,050
Average ... "	1'27	1'50	1'36	1'28	1'07	1'11	1'37
Total value of all Agri- cultural production	£ *	2,220,000	4,216,000	3,615,000	7,060,000	9,749,000	11,488,000
Total value per acre under crop ... "	£ *	5/11/9	7/4/5	4/5/5	3/2/0	2/13/9	2/4/6
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.							
Sheep ... No.	5,615,054	16,278,697	36,591,946	61,831,416	41,857,099	44,947,287	36,196,383
Cattle ... "	2,271,923	2,014,888	2,597,348	2,128,838	2,047,454	3,194,236	2,765,943
Horses ... "	233,220	304,100	398,577	469,647	486,716	689,004	733,791
Pigs ... "	146,091	213,193	213,916	253,189	265,730	371,093	359,793
Production of Wool ... lb.	19,254,800	74,401,300	161,676,000	375,600,000	310,075,000	371,546,000	270,525,000
Value (f.o.b., Sydney)	£ 1,408,000	4,760,000	7,187,200	11,059,300	9,072,100	13,264,000	17,750,000
Production of Butter... lb.	*	*	*	18,302,897	39,056,878	83,204,568	79,364,471
" Cheese... "	*	*	*	5,506,071	3,838,835	5,460,652	7,830,239
" Bacon & Ham "	*	*	*	6,009,600	11,080,891	16,102,827	15,788,156
Total value of Pastoral and Dairying Production	£ *	8,709,000	13,151,000	17,460,000	15,598,000	24,649,000	34,320,000
Mineral Production.							
Gold ... oz. fine	425,209	294,389	135,033	131,654	173,543	181,121	108,145
" " " " " oz.	£ 1,806,171	1,250,485	573,582	559,231	737,164	769,353	459,370
Silver ... " "	...	...	...	729,599	448,501	1,767,496	2,801,507
" " " " " oz.	...	...	...	134,850	50,484	177,095	349,367
Silver-lead & ore, &c. ... ton	...	...	...	417,780	378,078	338,469	249,849
" " " " " £	...	...	...	3,484,739	1,803,979	2,265,669	2,935,624
Copper—ingots & ore, &c. ... ton	*	*	4,124	7,710	6,733	12,100	6,171
" " " " " £	3,532	11,828	267,884	119,195	412,292	590,102	586,127
Tin—ingots and ore ... ton	...	6,433	1,657	1,657	659	1,929	2,129
" " " " " £	(2) 12,227	568,795	133,993	76,544	307,089	306,497	306,497
Zinc—Spelter, Concentrates ton	...	...	219	632	516,378	209,741	209,741
" " " " " £	...	...	2,622	4,057	1,414,980	961,849	961,849
Coal ... ton	342,068	898,785	1,769,597	4,037,929	5,968,426	8,661,604	8,127,161
" " " " " £	218,821	316,340	603,248	1,742,796	2,178,929	3,167,165	3,339,419
Total value of all Mineral Production ... "	£ 2,029,000	1,626,000	2,138,000	6,434,000	5,681,000	9,410,000	12,564,000
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries).							
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries) £	*	(8) 400,000	(3) 650,000	(8) 758,000	(8) 733,000	3,250,000	4,677,000
Production all Primary Industries £	*	12,955,000	20,155,000	28,267,000	29,072,000	47,058,000	63,049,000
" " " " " per head £	*	25/9/10	26/6/11	24/15/-	21/5/4	28/5/5	33/16/8
Land Settlement.							
Alienated holdings—							
1,000 acres and under ... No.	*	*	36,259	46,566	64,950	81,722	84,504
" " " " " area	*	*	6,628,310	8,827,066	10,673,563	13,669,311	14,551,620
1,000 to 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	2,646	4,307	5,160	7,803	8,951
" " " " " area	*	*	6,990,312	11,370,329	13,395,738	19,551,728	22,452,399
Over 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	449	677	719	708	722
" " " " " area	*	*	14,073,587	21,884,299	22,638,524	20,185,845	19,284,960
Manufactories.							
Number of Factories ...	601	1,813	2,961	3,056	3,367	5,039	5,356
Hands employed ... males	*	*	28,819	43,203	54,556	82,123	88,910
" " " " " females	*	*	2,372	7,676	11,674	26,541	29,087
Salaries and Wages paid ... £	*	*	*	4,272,704	4,945,079	10,051,161	14,381,309
Value of Machinery and Plant £	*	*	*	4,386,475	5,860,725	12,510,600	20,364,122
Total value of Output ... £	*	*	*	16,807,132	25,648,471	54,346,011	85,944,320
Value of Production (value added to raw materials) ... £	*	2,424,000	5,025,000	7,799,000	9,742,000	19,143,000	26,748,000
" " " " " per head £	*	4/15/5	6/11/4	6/16/7	7/2/6	11/10/-	14/7/1
Shipping.							
Inwards, Vessels ... No.	1,327	1,891	2,254	2,602	2,760	3,127	3,045
" " " " " tons	366,235	706,019	1,456,239	2,752,157	4,133,200	6,822,135	6,552,235
Outwards, Vessels ... No.	1,366	2,123	2,103	2,654	2,853	3,146	3,062
" " " " " tons	379,462	794,460	1,330,261	2,801,320	4,274,101	6,833,782	6,574,582

* Not available.

(2) Year 1872. (8) Value of Forests and Fisheries only. Other minor industries (poultry, bees, &c.) are included in Pastoral and Dairying.

No. 62.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1916-17—*contd.*

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916-17.
Trade.							
Imports, Oversea	£ 4,547,813	5,481,655	11,829,007	15,127,641	17,560,207	27,343,428	33,379,698
" " per head	£ 14/17 6	10/15 0	15/3 3	13/4 11	12/16 11	16/8 7	17/17 3
Exports, Oversea	£ 3,690,748	5,452,840	9,753,044	14,620,889	18,210,627	32,161,401	40,975,416
" " per head	£ 10/8 11	10/14 7	12/15 0	12/16 0	13/6 5	19/6 5	21/18 6
Interstate Transfers, Inwards	£ 2,056,256	4,453,412	5,758,005	10,255,756	9,368,011	*	*
" " Outwards	£ 2,918,713	5,808,379	6,554,161	11,323,131	9,140,497	*	*
Produce of New South Wales, exported Oversea. (1)							
Wool (greasy and scoured)	lb. 12,745,891	38,323,302	81,906,922	235,470,988	217,285,747	295,315,438	254,633,555
" " "	£ 1,396,426	2,292,522	4,107,715	7,670,547	7,420,119	11,704,409	13,022,576
Wheat and Flour	bus. 28,025	8,445	21,699	54,940	5,204,892	14,324,845	11,773,022
" " "	£ 9,570	2,414	5,337	11,683	680,719	2,519,354	3,386,676
Butter	lb. (2) 53,088	(2) 1,183,040	402,421	401,690	8,699,817	33,044,324	4,305,027
" " "	£ 2,536	27,415	11,992	17,756	379,341	1,518,993	259,834
Frozen Mutton	lb. ...	...	*	*	39,309,792	59,648,989	26,443,085
" " "	£ ...	...	*	*	382,385	582,027	543,753
Other Meats	£ 11,536	130,999	191,774	194,013	381,768	607,002	435,716
Tallow	£ 58,393	245,352	244,271	292,672	362,631	871,018	227,317
Leather	£ 6,810	83,899	130,417	130,774	347,327	323,517	538,401
Skins and Hides	£ 77,127	38,115	130,277	376,295	431,232	1,145,138	1,307,114
Minerals and Ores (exclusive of Gold)	£ 65,372	248,996	1,214,085	1,392,076	1,893,314	4,072,531	7,561,045
Timber, undressed	£ 2,221	3,990	12,930	44,437	76,124	243,811	142,990
Public Finance. (3)							
Net Revenue proper	£ 1,421,831	2,215,846	6,551,134	9,773,332	11,007,356	15,797,136	20,537,835
" " per head	£ 4/0 6	4/7 2	8/11 3	8/11 2	7/19 11	9/6 0	11/0 5
" " Expenditure proper	£ 1,529,788	2,666,948	5,625,749	10,215,820	11,008,173	16,137,279	20,806,633
" " per head	£ 4/6 7	5/4 11	7/7 1	8/18 11	8/0 0	9/10 0	11/3 4
Loan Expenditure	£ 409,121	488,727	2,397,368	4,750,167	4,939,241	5,491,103	6,852,179
" " per head	£ 1/3 2	19/3	3/12 8	4/35 0	3/11 9	3/4 8	3/13 8
Banks.							
Deposits	£ 5,029,692	7,043,886	20,308,017	35,659,690	33,258,456	57,140,156	80,515,452
Advances	£ 5,764,059	7,668,022	20,935,596	45,068,914	35,068,787	46,916,008	63,031,127
Assets	£ 8,809,829	11,502,076	27,870,483	53,596,259	43,437,559	64,881,499	91,084,505
Liabilities	£ 6,292,170	8,016,832	22,394,316	37,589,764	35,077,832	58,349,554	86,249,398
Savings Banks.							
Depositors	No. 13,282	24,379	72,384	158,426	306,311	544,023	872,351
Deposits	£ 615,409	945,915	2,698,701	5,342,135	11,808,710	25,301,338	40,836,747
Average per depositor	£ 46/8 8	38/16 0	37/5 8	33/11 0	38/11 0	46/12 4	46/16 3
" " per head of population	£ 1/14 5	1/16 6	3/9 0	4/11 11	8/11 7	14/18 7	21/17 4
Railways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	74	359	996	2,197	3,026	3,832	4,437
Capital cost	£ 1,536,032	5,887,258	13,301,597	33,312,608	40,565,073	53,514,903	72,006,621
Passengers carried	No. 595,591	759,062	6,907,312	19,918,916	30,885,214	70,706,728	96,709,546
Net Earnings	£ 13,817	158,257	705,892	1,193,044	1,401,317	2,321,882	2,464,725
Net return on capital invested per cent.	90	269	531	358	348	441	350
Tramways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	...	...	93	48	104	1953	224
Capital cost ... ..	£ ...	...	169,450	1,099,659	2,829,363	5,664,324	8,309,629
Passengers carried	No. ...	...	7,090,125	71,477,948	108,135,111	266,789,546	295,303,714
Net Earnings ... ..	£ ...	...	10,442	56,799	89,773	249,980	317,172
Net return on capital invested per cent.	...	...	616	528	317	463	385
Postal.							
Number of Offices	340	570	1,128	1,728	2,208	2,490	2,588
Letters and Post Cards dealt with	No. 4,369,463	7,509,500	26,534,160	68,087,300	82,783,467	189,656,401	259,185,729
" " per head	1237	1477	3468	6041	6056	11394	13909
Newspapers dealt with	No. 3,384,245	3,902,100	16,527,900	42,517,300	52,317,650	71,619,194	68,546,782
" " per head	958	786	2160	3723	3827	4303	3678
Telegraphs.							
Number of Stations	36	89	318	674	978	1,406	2,231
Length of wire (5)	miles. 1,981	5,579	14,278	24,780	46,153	31,123	37,236
Telegrams	No. 74,204	218,530	1,607,206	4,046,251	3,449,315	5,863,560	7,152,913
Money Orders.							
Issued in New South Wales	£ ...	293,370	771,978	1,577,744	1,637,488	2,819,183	4,527,557
Paid " "	£ ...	271,842	675,025	1,518,987	1,669,730	2,949,264	4,389,944
Public Schools.							
Schools at close of the year	No. 179	659	1,406	2,461	2,818	3,125	3,188
Teachers	No. *	810	2,199	4,438	5,212	6,517	7,830
Scholars on roll (6)	No. 11,660	39,070	144,119	206,438	210,588	221,810	264,713
Average attendance	No. *	*	*	122,528	154,404	160,776	200,695
Expenditure by the State on Education, etc.	£ 76,911	151,225	687,422	1,002,379	918,819	1,390,146	1,860,518

* Not available.

(1) The exports in 1916-17 include articles produced in other States of Australia. Since 1st January, 1912, the Federal Customs Department has classified all goods produced in the Commonwealth simply as "Australian," without distinguishing, as formerly, the particular State where they were produced. (2) Includes cheese.

(3) For 1861 Gross Revenue and Expenditure are shown. Particulars for 1901 and 1911 are for the year ended 30th June following. Transfers to Public Works Fund and Closer Settlement Fund are excluded in 1911 and 1914-15.

(4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following.

(5) 1891

1914-15, (4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following, (5) 1891 and 1901 include telephone wire; 1911 is exclusive of mileage of wire erected for railways, (6) 1901 and following years are for the December quarter.

No. 63.—Wheat Estimate, 1917-18.

The returns of several important districts are still outstanding, but the compilation of the results of the wheat harvest last season is advanced sufficiently to permit of the publication of particulars indicating the production of grain and hay in the various divisions of the State.

The production of grain amounted to 13,020,000 bags, equivalent (on the basis of the operations of the Wheat Pool, which showed rather less than 3 bushels per bag this season) to 37,843,930 bushels or 11·71 bushels per acre.

Earlier in the year an estimate was prepared, when the anticipated yield of grain was 14,519,000 bags from 3,280,600 acres, but (as in the previous year) the unfavourable weather conditions experienced throughout the wheat-belt, both prior to and during the harvesting period, retarded operations considerably, and much damage resulted from the excessive rainfall and storms. The total area, which failed entirely, or was fed off, increased from 108,600 acres (the area anticipated to fail in January last) to 167,100 acres—the principal divisions affected being the Western Slopes, the Riverina, and the Central Plains.

Of the total wheat produced (37,843,930 bushels) 32,926,611 bushels, equivalent to 11,328,209 bags, have already been pooled, the balance representing the quantity retained for seed purposes, destroyed, or otherwise handled by farmers.

ACTUAL RESULTS OF THE 1917-18 WHEAT HARVEST IN THE PRINCIPAL DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.

Divisions.	Area Harvested for—		Total Area Sown with *Wheat.	Production.		Average per Acre. Grain.
	Grain.	Hay.		Grain.	Hay.	
	acres.	acres.	acres.	bushels.	tons	bushels.
Coastal	8 720	2,500	13,090	95,800	2,980	10·99
Tableland—						
Northern	3,220	3,110	7,760	42,790	3,250	13·29
Central	65,730	32,810	103,660	785,130	39,740	11·94
Southern	8,360	4,120	13,500	95,770	4,360	11·46
Total	77,310	40,040	124,970	923,690	47,350	11·95
Western Slopes—						
North	294,610	26,180	370,580	2,826,960	25,610	9·60
Central	530,450	92,090	655,600	6,554,000	97,520	12·24
South	688,460	74,540	795,490	7,124,510	89,080	10·35
Total	1,519,520	192,810	1,821,670	16,516,870	212,210	10·87
Central Plains—						
North	11,470	3,140	16,490	98,970	2,600	8·63
Central	491,590	53,930	559,770	6,043,000	52,630	12·29
Total	503,060	57,070	576,260	6,142,570	55,230	12·21
Riverina	1,121,420	123,880	1,277,130	14,143,370	152,680	12·61
Western Plain	2,670	5,400	8,380	21,630	4,850	8·10
Total, New South Wales	3,232,700	421,700	3,821,500	37,843,930	475,300	11·71

* During 1917-18 an area of 125,700 acres—mainly intended for grain—failed entirely, and 41,400 acres were fed-off, the details for each division being included in the total column.

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Bureau of Statistics,
Sydney, 31st May, 1918.

IRRIGATION FARMING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE GREAT 'MURRUMBIDGEE' IRRIGATION SCHEME.

(A STATE ENTERPRISE.)

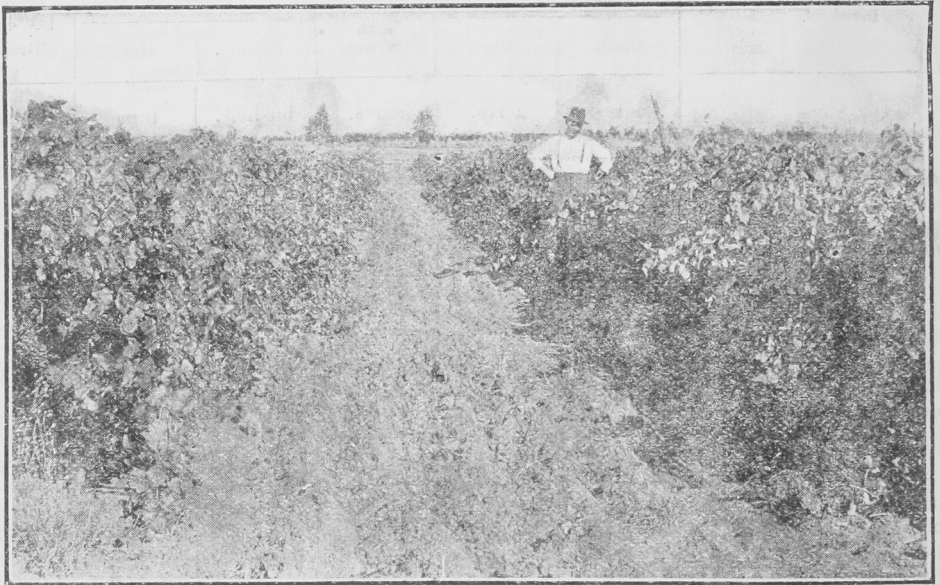
Soils may be chosen suitable for the—

Orchardist, Dairyman, Poultryman, Pig Farmer, Bee Farmer, Vegetable Grower,
Viticulturist, Fat-Lamb Raiser, General Farmer.

LIBERAL AND PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE TO SETTLERS ON THE EASIEST OF TERMS.

Subject to such conditions as to security and terms of repayment as the Commission may think fit to impose, Settlers may obtain an advance or have payment of rent and water rates suspended. Trees and Vines may be purchased from the Commission's Nursery—Specially selected Dairy Stock are obtainable—Pedigree Stock may be hired—Railway Concessions are granted on New South Wales Railways.

(Change of policy may require alteration of terms of assistance.)



SPECIAL ADVANTAGES.

The whole scheme is administered by the State Government, and the products are carried to market on Government-owned railways.

There is No Balloting for Land.

Instruction and demonstration in Agricultural and Irrigation methods are always available, free of cost to the settler, by experts employed by the State.

The climate of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Areas is dry and healthy—hot in summer, which makes it suitable for drying fruit.

Water is supplied solely by gravitation (no pumping required) at a very cheap rate.

Butter, Canning, Bacon, and Cheese Factories, also a Pulping Plant have been established in connection with the Scheme.

Schools, Churches, Banks, and Stores are established.

Applications for land are dealt with promptly.

Information on every point, including pamphlets, lithographs, and lists of lands available is obtainable from

The Secretary, Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission, Branch "C,"

39 Hunter-street, Sydney, or

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